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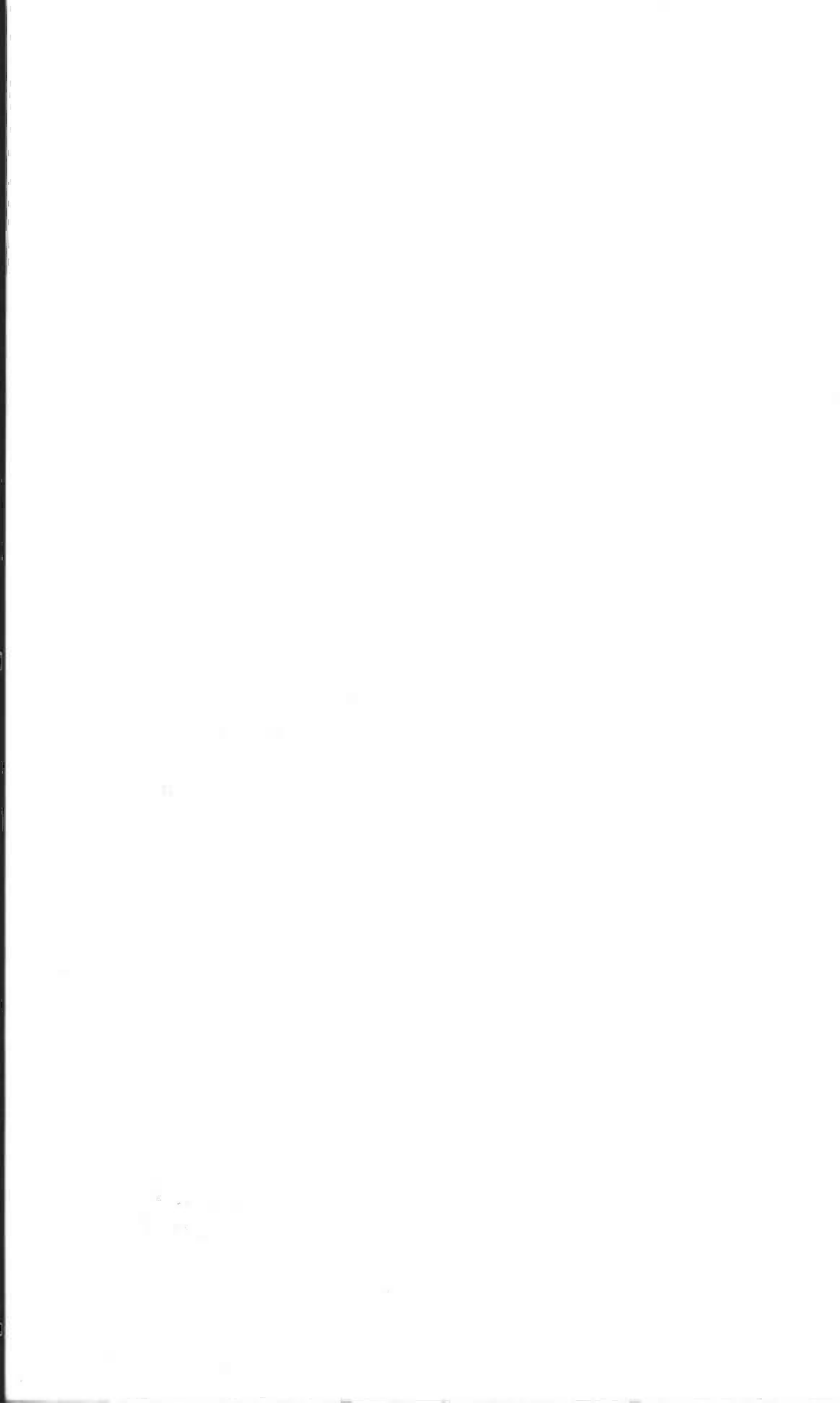
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## PREFACE

THE history of the manuscript, and the manner in which it came into the hands of Mr. Mellows and to the notice of one of the present editors, are described in the Introduction. A number of years before Mr. Mellows's death in 1950, Professor Postan made a transcript of the first part of the manuscript; shortly afterwards, Mr. Mellows himself decided to edit the whole of it, and with the aid of Professor Postan's transcripts, and with the assistance of Mr. L. C. Hector, a complete transcript was prepared. The work was interrupted by Mr. Mellows's death, but was later resumed by the present editors. The division of work in the later stages has been roughly as follows: the text has been checked and the abstracts and notes compiled by Professor Brooke, who has also written Chapter I of the Introduction. Professor Postan has written Chapter II of the Introduction. This division is not, however, wholly watertight. The two editors have read and revised each other's work and both have seen the whole book in proof; in preparing the notes to the text and the description of the manuscript Professor Brooke had the benefit of notes provided by Professor Postan; a few of the notes made by Mr. Mellows have been preserved intact and are identified by his initials.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

### MANUSCRIPTS.

(*Pages in brackets after a manuscript refer to a discussion of its value for this edition.*)

- A London, Society of Antiquaries, MS. 38 ('Maior Liber' of John of Achurch) (pp. xix ff.)
- A2 Peterborough D[ean] and C[hapter], MS. 6 ('Red' or 'Lesser' book of John of Achurch)
- C London, B[ritish] M[useum], Cotton Cleopatra C. i (p. xix n.)
- C2 London, B.M. Cotton Cleopatra C. ii (vol. ii of C) (p. xix n.)
- F Duke of Buccleuch, Boughton House, Kettering ('Registrum Fr. Georgii Fraunceys sacriste') (p. xix)
- F2 London, B.M. Cotton Faustina B. iii (vol. ii of F) (p. xix)
- L London, Lambeth Palace, MS. 198a (Calendar, pp. 2 ff., with obits)
- MS. Peterborough, D. and C., MS. 39 (the 'Carte Natiuorum', &c.: the MS. of this edition) (pp. xi ff.)
- N London, Society of Antiquaries, MS. 60 (p. xix)
- Pc Peterborough, D. and C., MS. 5 ('Liber Cartarum . . .', of Henry of Pytchley) (p. xix and n.)
- Q Peterborough, D. and C., MS. 7 ('Liber Feodorum' of Henry of Pytchley, partly edited in P, below)
- Surveys Surveys in N, ff. 181-207 (see Additional Note I)
- Swa Peterborough, D. and C., MS. 1 ('Liber R. de Swaffham') (p. xix and n.)
- V1 London, B.M. Cotton Vespasian E. xxi (Register of Abbot Adam of Boothby)
- V2 London, B.M. Cotton Vespasian E. xxii (Register of Abbots William of Woodford and Godfrey of Crowland)

(W. T. Mellows's photostats of all these manuscripts, except L, are in Peterborough Cathedral Library. We derive our knowledge of F, and also of the Court Rolls and Account Rolls which we cite from time to time (the originals of which are at Peterborough, Delapré Abbey, and elsewhere), from these photostats.)

### PRINTED BOOKS

- ChP *Chronicon Petroburgense*, ed. T. Stapleton (Camden Society, 1849) (from MS. N)
- CPR *Calendar of Patent Rolls*
- Morton *The Book of William Morton*, ed. W. T. Mellows, P. I. King, and C. N. L. Brooke (N[orthamptonshire] R[ecord] S[ociety], xvi, 1954)
- P *Henry of Pytchley's Book of Fees*, ed. W. T. Mellows (N.R.S., ii, 1927)

- P.N. Elements* A. H. Smith, *English Place-Name Elements* (2 vols. E[nglish] P[lace]-N[ame] S[ociety], xxv-xxvi, Cambridge, 1956)
- P.N. Northants.* J. E. B. Gover, A. Mawer, F. M. Stenton, *The Place-Names of Northamptonshire* (E.P.N.S., x, Cambridge, 1933)
- P.N. Notts.* eidem, *The Place-Names of Nottinghamshire* (E.P.N.S., xvii, Cambridge, 1940)
- Pollock and Maitland F. Pollock and F. W. Maitland, *History of English Law before the time of Edward I* (2 vols., 2nd ed., Cambridge, 1898)
- S J. Sparke, *Historiae Coenobii Burgensis Scriptores varii* (London, 1723) (chronicles of Swaffham and Whittlesey)

## SYMBOLS IN THE TEXT

- < > *Word(s) omitted by the scribe in error and supplied conjecturally by the editors*
- [ ] *Word(s) lost or illegible and supplied by the editors*
- ( ° ) *Word(s) written by the scribe in error and subsequently cancelled*
- ( ° ) *Word(s) inserted by the scribe, either between the lines or in the margin*

# INTRODUCTION

## CHAPTER 1 THE MANUSCRIPT

By C. N. L. BROOKE

### i. *Description and history of the manuscript*

THE manuscript printed in this book, Peterborough Dean and Chapter MS. 39, is a cartulary or register of the middle of the fourteenth century. Like many cartularies it contains extraneous matter—surveys, memoranda and the like, and a geometrical treatise<sup>1</sup>—but it is the charters themselves which make this extremely unusual, if not unique, among cartularies. The charters fall into two groups, the *Carte nativorum*, ‘charters of villeins’, and *Carte antiquorum registorum precentoris* ‘charters from the ancient registers of [i.e. in the custody of] the precentor’. The *Carte nativorum* fill the greater part of the manuscript, and lend it its special interest. In the present chapter I describe the manuscript as a whole, its contents and their date, and the rationale of our edition; and in the following chapter Professor Postan discusses the *Carte nativorum* proper, their historical context and significance, and the fresh views they open up of medieval agrarian history.

The manuscript is a small book of (i)+148 folios,<sup>2</sup> measuring  $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$  in. (190×115 mm.), somewhat irregularly written in a single hand of the mid fourteenth century with some 30–35 lines to a page. It is bound up as follows: 1<sup>a</sup>+2–19<sup>b</sup>. The first and last quires have had paste-down and fly-leaf added (the stubs show at the other end of each quire), and a leaf after f. 39 has not been numbered, so that quire 7 begins on f. 44. The quires are not numbered, but catch-words link quires 2–15 and 16–19, and prove that these quires are in the order in which the scribe left them, and the nature of the contents (see below) and the blank leaves at the end of quire 19 suggest that this was the original conclusion of the book. At least one quire is missing between 15 and 16: f. 115<sup>v</sup> ends in the middle of a sentence, and the catchword is not taken up. It is indeed possible that we have the remains of two volumes here; but the unity of handwriting, and the links between the later and earlier quires suggest that they were intended to form part of a single book.<sup>3</sup> Quire 1 seems to be an addition, made at an early stage by the original scribe; it is certainly in the place in the manuscript which it occupied when the table of contents was written (c. 1400), and has probably always been there.

<sup>1</sup> Not printed here (see pp. xxi–xxiii). The Peterborough cartularies are listed in P, pp. xxv ff., G. R. C. Davis, *Medieval Cartularies of Great Britain* (London, 1958), pp. 86 ff.

<sup>2</sup> f. 148 is the final fly-leaf; the fly-leaf at the beginning of the book is not numbered.

<sup>3</sup> On f. 1 is a table of contents (below, p. 1) in a later hand (c. 1400), which lists the sections of the *Carte nativorum* proper and ends with no. 482. It could be argued that this was the original end of the book; but in fact there is no break in the manuscript at this point, and it is more likely that the table of contents is unfinished. It is possible that secs. 3–5 (see below, pp. xix ff.) were not bound up with the *Carte nativorum* when the table of contents was written, but the table breaks off in the middle of sec. 2, so that the evidence is far from cogent. It is also possible that secs. 3 and 4 were written before 1 and 2 (see below, p. xxiv and n.).

At some date after the dissolution of the abbey, this manuscript, along with other Peterborough books, passed into the hands of the Fitzwilliam family of Milton Hall, Peterborough, where it was examined by Gunton, and where it remained until 1918 when it was sold at Sotheby's to Mr. William Mellows, who presented it to his son, W. T. Mellows.<sup>1</sup> On Mr. Mellows's death it passed with his other manuscripts to the library of the Dean and Chapter, and so returned to its original home. In a description of it published not long after it entered his possession, Mr. Mellows wrote that 'The Cartulary has a torn parchment cover and is not in very good condition.'<sup>2</sup> A number of leaves are faded, and a number more stained. Mr. Mellows had it rebound in pig-skin on boards and so prevented further deterioration; and with the aid of ultra-violet light we have been able to decipher virtually all the faded portions.

## II. *The contents and their date*

THE contents of the manuscript are as follows.

1. *Ff. 2-87* (nos. 1-480). The *Carte nativorum* proper: a register of charters,<sup>3</sup> of which abstracts only are given, arranged under the manor in which the property was administered. Many of the charters have glosses naming later tenants of the property or continuing its history. Later in the century, another hand has added a table of contents on f. 1 (see above, p. xi n.).

The exact nature of the *Carte nativorum* is discussed in Chapter 2. Most of them deal with tiny parcels of land, ranging from 1 rood ( $\frac{1}{4}$  acre) to 1 or 2 acres, and most of the parties were peasants, some of them villeins. They form the title deeds of properties of men who were either themselves villeins of the abbot of Peterborough or possessed bond land held of the abbot, or for some other reason were compelled to surrender their charters or have them registered by the abbot's officials. Sometimes we are told how a particular group of charters came into the possession of the abbot, fairly often a marginal note gives the later history of the property and so enables us to infer what happened.<sup>4</sup> Within each manor the charters are roughly grouped together; but a fair amount of shuffling has taken place, sometimes, perhaps, because of a regrouping of properties in later times, usually for no discernible reason. The following are some of the more significant groups which can be identified.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See P, pp. xxvi-xxvii; Davis, *op. cit.*, p. 87. A brief description, with extracts, was printed by Mr. Mellows in *Northamptonshire Notes and Queries*, New Series, v (1921-3), 82-86. At some time, presumably soon after the Dissolution, a number of documents found their way from the abbey to Milton Hall, and this MS. very likely came with the rest.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 86.

<sup>3</sup> Although not quite all the documents were charters (e.g. no. 390 is an inquisition and, glosses apart, there are a certain number of notes by the compiler).

<sup>4</sup> For examples, see the analysis, below. (Some of the groups enable us to deduce the history of properties and families in detail—cf. Index of Subjects, s.v. Pedigrees—which is of considerable interest to the social historian.) The charters were evidently grouped together under the manor in whose court the surrender was made, and perhaps originally copied on to manorial enrolments, as Professor Postan suggests. The result of this is that if the man making the surrender held land in another manor, the charter may appear to have become attached to the wrong manor in the collection. But some of the anomalies may well be mere mistakes (cf., for example, no. 34, which belongs with 144 and 149 in Walton).

<sup>5</sup> This list is not meant to be comprehensive, and very small groups of two charters or so are usually ignored. Furthermore, it is impossible to be sure whether many of these little collections



*Peterborough and Boroughbury*<sup>1</sup>

(i) Nos. 16–18 (cf. 19), 21–23, 28–37, 71–73 (cf. 69–70), 116–22, and possibly one or two others (cf. glosses to 79, 92): the acquisitions of Simon Gere and his family (see note to no. 16), his endowment of his sons and daughter and son-in-law, Simon in le Wro, and the archives of later Wros. We know from glosses that Simon Gere's property passed into the hands of several members of the Gere and Wro families, and that Simon Gere's wife, and most of their descendants, were villeins.<sup>2</sup>

(ii) Nos. 24–26: see note to 26.

(iii) Nos. 27, 74, 76: charters of William son of Ingerith.

(iv) Nos. 40, 44, 51; cf. 56–58: Adam and Thomas Cook.

(v) Nos. 46–49: the endowment of Robert of Langford (quit-claimed to the abbot in no. 47, but the glosses suggest it may have been re-granted).

(vi) Nos. 50, 106, 109, 110: William son of Launcelin and Robert his son.

(vii) Nos. 62, 75, 111–14: William and Thomas atte Green of Garton and Dogsthorpe (nos. 111–14 are headed *carte: Thome de Carton*; no. 112 is a grant by William to Thomas his son *assensu et uoluntate . . . abbatis*).

(viii) Nos. 65–68: Nicholas Pyel and William Marshal (1285).

(ix) Nos. 79–87 (cf. 91, 93, 95): the acquisitions of John and Richard of Walton of Eye (distinct from the Walton family of Walton, for whom see below).

(x) Nos. 88–95: John Palfrey of Eye.

(xi) Nos. 100–5: Townsend of Thorpe.

*Walton*

(i) Nos. 125–41, 147–8, 153: these all seem to deal with properties which came into the hands of Richard of Crowland, who was enfeoffed with the manor of Walton c. 1309.<sup>3</sup> The Walton family (nos. 134, 139, &c.), Roger Thorold (see no. 153), and Walter of Loddington (nos. 131, 141) were Richard's predecessors.<sup>4</sup> Many of the charters are to members of the Thorold family, some to the Pools; in the margin of no. 126—a grant to Walter atte Pool—we read: 'R(icardus) de Crul(and) tenet de terra Rogeri Torold', which suggests that the whole group were linked together in Richard of Crowland. This is the only case in the collection where a large group of charters seem to be the title deeds of a tenant of this standing; but Richard's father had been a manumitted villein, and some or much of the land may have been bond land.

formed the actual archive groups from which the *Carte nativorum* were compiled, and many of the links between the charters can no longer be recovered. But it is clear that some of the following—especially where they form compact bundles in the *Carte*—represent approximately the groups as they were received by the abbot's officials.

<sup>1</sup> The distinction is supposed to have been that Boroughbury was the agricultural, Peterborough the non-agricultural manor of the town (see Mellows, art. cit., p. 82); but there seems to be no such distinction implied in the *documents* under the two headings. Mr. Mellows's later researches in the manorial records revealed that the two jurisdictions overlapped in a very complex way (see, for example, *Peterb. Local Administration*, i, p. xvii). The difference in heading in our manuscript may be accounted for by some different process by which the documents came into the abbot's hands.

<sup>2</sup> See glosses to nos. 32 (Simon's wife), 17, 36–37.

<sup>3</sup> See note to no. 38.

<sup>4</sup> See note to no. 131.

(ii) Nos. 143, 145-6, 156-69. Nos. 156-69 are the archives of William of Amwell, who sold out to Roger of Meriden in nos. 143, 146 (cf. 145). Glosses to 143, 146 describe the further sales which brought the property, and presumably the charters, into the abbot's hands (see note to 143).

(iii) Nos. 170, 172-86: John Reeve.

(iv) Nos. 188, 190, 192: Richard son of Osbern.

A remarkably high proportion of the charters are grants, &c., by Gilbert and William Blakeman<sup>1</sup> and by the Puttok family;<sup>2</sup> a number more are by the Waltons and Pitmans.

### *Werrington*

(i) Nos. 194-201, and perhaps 236, 240: the acquisitions of Richard Griffin; some passed to Walter Dalby (see gloss to 201), which may link no. 193 with this group.

(ii) Nos. 202-12, 226-8 are grants to two families (cf. also 221, 225), but glosses show that all the properties converged on J. Pampe, perhaps the husband or the son of Emma Griffin.

(iii) Nos. 213, 215, 223, 231: William Aylflet is noted in glosses to each of these; perhaps other grants to Thorolds and Loues should be included, but no. 236, to William Thorold, has Richard Griffin's name in the gloss (see group i).

(iv) Nos. 242-59: nos. 242-57 were the Smith archives, see note to no. 242. Marginalia attribute most of them to T. Garswade; but link nos. 252 and 258 and part of 259 as held by J. Wodereve. Garswade and J. Smith had shares in the property of no. 259.

The largest sellers (or donors) were the Cross<sup>3</sup> and Solomon families.

### *Glington*

(i) Nos. 260, 262-4, 267: grants to the Lewe(s) family, some of which passed to J. Wolwyn (cf. 286); nos. 264-6, to Geoffrey Lewes (son of Lewin) may be connected (cf. also 305).

(ii) Nos. 261, 274-6: Arnold le Leif (i.e. the villein).

(iii) Nos. 268-9, 271: the Ode family.

(iv) Nos. 277-85 (for 281-2, cf. 348), 287-8, 337-8, 343-5, 348-9: the acquisitions of Michael le Herice.

(v) Nos. 286, 289, 291-7, 309-19 (cf. 272, 301, 320) are the archives of Richard and Roger sons of Mary (see note to 289).

(vi) Nos. 300, 308, 331-5 (cf. 288, margin): William le Westerne.

(vii) Nos. 303-4, 327: the marriage settlement of William Kyng (cf. 282, in iv above).

(viii) Nos. 320-6: Ralph son of Simon Reeve.

The largest sellers (or donors) were the Freemans—Robert of Glington, (nos. 267, 277-80, 308, 322, 324, 326), William (292, 296) and John (305, 317), of Peakirk.

### *Castor*

(i) Nos. 352-9 represent the acquisitions of Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend, nos. 360-8 of William, presumably his brother. The

<sup>1</sup> Nos. 123-5, 129, 132-4, 136, 140-1, 145, 166, 174, 177, 191.

<sup>2</sup> Nos. 126, 130-1, 138, 142, 147, 152, 158-60, 163, 188-90, 192—cf. also 193, 196-7, 214.

<sup>3</sup> Nos. 202-5, 218-22, 224, 228, 237.

glosses show that these tenements had been divided—most of them passing into the hands of William Edous and William Prior—by the mid fourteenth century; also that Reginald's son (and so presumably also Reginald himself and his brother) was a villein (no. 353).

(ii) Nos. 373–7: the documents of a complicated case in which a message and the rent proceeding from it changed hands several times: this is described in no. 373a and the story continues in the margins of the documents.

A frequent seller (or donor) is John atte Cross (nos. 352, 354, 358, 363–5).

#### *Irthlingborough*

(i) Nos. 382, 385, and possibly 387: the marriage portion of Alice Shepherd and her daughter.

(ii) Nos. 383, 388: a charter to John Rose and a note explaining its presence in the collection—the land was taken into the abbot's hands in 1293–4 because he was a villein, and regranted to him for an increased rent.

#### *Cottingham*

Nos. 393 a–e: the documents in a case of 1289–91 in which a free man had bought villein land; the outcome was that he sold it to another man who bound himself to do the services attached to the holding.

#### *Tinwell*

(i) Nos. 390–1, 400–7, 411, 411a. The recipient of 391 was presumably the predecessor of the Gilbert Prudhomme of no. 390. No. 390 provides the pedigree of the recipients of these documents (see note to 390), and adjudicates a block of land to the Cross family (see also no. 560). Nos. 400–7 and 411 (cf. 397) are the archives of Simon son of Margery and his branch of the family. 390 shows that both sides of the family were villeins, although one or two of the men in the pedigree may have been free.

(ii) Nos. 408–10: see note to 408.

#### *Stanwick*

Nos. 412–14 are all grants to Henry son of Richard son of Cecily.

#### *Great Easton* (see note to no. 415)

(i) Nos. 415, 416, 428: Anthony Garr', alias Gerr', and his son.

(ii) Nos. 417–24, 436 (cf. 433): the acquisitions of Robert Pacy and his wife, both villeins, which they were compelled to surrender in 1293–4 (no. 424).

(iii) Nos. 430–2, 434–5: William Norreys.

A frequent seller (or donor) is Richard by Neyton (nos. 415, 417, 423, 427–8, 430–3, 435–6).

#### *Oundle*

(i) Nos. 437–8, 444 are some of the documents by which Abbot Richard collected the lands of Mathefrid of Oundle (a free man, see nos. 442, 440) and his family (1274–95).

(ii) Nos. 439–42. No. 442 is a note describing how the three other documents and the land were called in in 1293–4 because the land had been bought by villeins, although itself free and previously held by free men; it was regranted to be held at will.

No. 443 is also a grant to the abbot, but seems to have no other connexion with the *Carte nativorum*: it is one of a number of stray documents connected with the same manors scattered here and there in the collection.

### Scotter

(i) Nos. 445, 447–50, 452–4, 456–8, 474, 474a (and cf. no. iii). No. 457 is a grant by the abbot to Ralph Carham, warden of the manor of Scotter, of 26 acres which had escheated to him from the fee of Hugh Wibalda (described in 474a as a villein) and one-third of a toft and a bovate containing  $5\frac{1}{2}$  acres which had escheated to him from Rose Fulk (1285). The remaining documents show how the previous owners had acquired the property, save that 458 is a quit-claim to Carham: Carham restored the land to the abbot on his deathbed (474a).

(ii) Nos. 446, 460–8. The archives of Robert Brand of Scotter, abbot's villein but also a merchant (see no. 460, which describes his acquisitions and ties together nos. 461–8).

(iii) Nos. 451, 455, 459. Charters of Martin, merchant, of Scotter and a quit-claim by his daughter-in-law (see p. lxii and notes to nos. 459, 460); cf. note to 454. They probably entered the collection because 451 and 455 were impediments to Hugh Wibalda's and Ralph Carham's title (see no. i), cleared by no. 459.

(iv) Nos. 469–73 all relate to acquisitions by Geoffrey Fage, chaplain (see notes to 469–70).

Far the most frequent sellers (or donors) were the Green family (nos. 446, 448–9, 451–6, 461–5, 467–8; cf. note to 454).

### Walcot

All the charters relate to two acquisitions by John of Walcot, one in 1322 (no. 478, with earlier title deeds in 476–7, 479), the other in 1333 (nos. 475, 480).

Some of these groups must have fallen in in the fourteenth century, but it is interesting to note how many came in the later years of Abbot Richard of London, especially in 1293–4.<sup>1</sup>

The *dating* of the *Carte nativorum* offers particular difficulty. Private charters were rarely dated before the late thirteenth century, and dates did not become a normal feature of them until the early fourteenth. A large majority of these charters are undated, and the names which occur in them are mostly of obscure folk otherwise unknown. For a few there is evidence elsewhere, and for the more eminent Peterborough tenants Mellows's notes in his edition of *Henry of Pytchley's Book of Fees* (P) are invaluable. A number also occur in the thirteenth-century

<sup>1</sup> The settlement or surrender of the following are specifically dated to Abbot Richard's time: Oundle group i (1274–95), Scotter i (1285), Cottingham (1289–91), (partly) Tinwell i (1292), Irthlingborough ii, Great Easton ii, and Oundle ii (all 1293–4).

Surveys in the Black Book, whose evidence is considered at length in a separate note (Additional Note 1). But the majority must be dated, if at all, by the internal evidence of the *carte* themselves, by cross-reference from dated to undated charters, and by the evidence of diplomatic forms. The only really helpful formal test is the effect of the great statute *Quia Emptores* of 1290. The statute forbade subinfeudation in any grant of a free tenement in fee simple.<sup>1</sup> It was primarily aimed to deal with knights' fees and manors, not with acres and roods; customary villein tenures were not its ostensible object at all. Some of the *Carte nativorum* deal with free land, some with bond; some of the parties were free men, some villeins. But the striking thing about them is that the status of the land and the parties very rarely affects the form of the documents; and it is precisely with forms that we are now concerned. Whatever the law—and that aspect of the problem will be dealt with by Professor Postan in Chapter 2—almost all the conveyances in the *Carte nativorum* are drafted as if the transactions were in free land. A large majority of the grants in the collection which on other grounds can be dated to the period before 1290 conform to the pattern of formularies like that described by Maitland, with the clause *tenendum de se et heredibus suis*; all but three certainly later than 1290 follow the instructions of the formularies issued after *Quia Emptores*: 'non scribit in carta habendum et tenendum de me et heredibus meis, nec reddendo mihi et heredibus meis, immo capitalibus dominis feodi seruicia etc.'<sup>2</sup> The charters in our collection bear witness to the spread of the new formula to peasant charters irrespective of the title by which the land was held. In most of them the change should be regarded strictly as an indirect rather than a direct result of *Quia Emptores*, and some of the local draftsmen may have accepted the change more swiftly than others. But it occurs already in two grants of the years 1291–4.<sup>3</sup>

The criterion is thus reasonably precise; at least as precise as most which can be applied to the *Carte nativorum*. The dates here ascribed to the documents lack the rigour which can be applied in dating the charters issued by the great; but it has proved possible by an elaborate process of cross-checking to fix most of them to within a generation or so. Some of the criteria are treacherous, and to save constant repetition of cautious comments, we note the more dangerous traps here.

(i) Many of the charters which have dates are dated by the regnal year of an unspecified King Edward: *anno regni regis Edwardi* . . . Normally one would presume this to refer to Edward I, although he was not uncommonly identified as *filii regis Henrici* in dating clauses. But there is

<sup>1</sup> By subinfeudation the recipient or purchaser became tenant of the seller or donor; by substitution the recipient took the donor's place and so held immediately of the donor's lord.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. Maitland, *Collected Papers*, ii (Cambridge, 1911), 190 ff. (c. 1280–90); *Legal and Manorial Formularies*, ed. . . . in memory of J. P. Gilson (Oxford, 1933), p. 1 (c. 1300).

Cases, real or apparent (cf. no. 303, n. 3), of substitution occur before 1290 when the donor's immediate overlord was a church or religious house (e.g. nos. 65, 85, 139, 295, 303, 334—cf. 334, 335—one or two of which might be later than 1290); otherwise only in the special case of no. 506 (1194–9). The formula *de capitali(bus) domino(is)* only occurs in nos. 65 (1285), 139 (prob. 1276–84), and possibly 171. 'Subinfeudation' clauses occur after 1293 in nos. 89 (1293) and 357 (1295), and possibly in no. 121 (prob. c. 1303, but this may have been a conditional gift).

<sup>3</sup> Nos. 78 (Jan. 1291/2) and 49 (1294; cf. the quit-claim of Jan. 1290/1, no. 393d); and in several documents of these years the formula *de domino abbate* or the like occurs. From 1295 *de capitali domino* or the like is reasonably common.

always the possibility that a later Edward was meant, or that the scribe made an error. In a large majority of cases it has been possible to show on other grounds that these charters belonged to the reign of Edward I; in particular, some of the regnal years are too high for the comparatively short reign of Edward II, and the equivalent date in Edward III's reign would often be too late for the collection. In no case can the contrary be proved, and in view of the scribe's carelessness in other ways, it is remarkable that there is only one case where a date can be shown to be corrupt.<sup>1</sup>

(ii) The pieces of property are often identified by the names of the tenants of adjacent parcels. In most cases it is probable that the living tenant is named; and this presumption is sometimes used as supporting evidence for a date. But it is certainly not an invariable rule. The phrase *terra quondam Alicie* or the like—implying that Alice is dead or has surrendered the land—is common, and it can sometimes be shown that a tenant was *quondam* in cases where this is not stated.<sup>2</sup>

(iii) The greatest difficulty of all lies in the identification of personal names. It is impossible to be sure which of four knights was the Geoffrey de la Mare of no. 350, and this sort of difficulty is even commoner with the peasants. Some particular examples of the difficulty are discussed in Additional Note 1. In dating the charters we have been compelled to make a number of risky identifications; but wherever possible, these are checked by other evidence.

On the basis of this evidence as many as possible of the charters have been given approximate dates, and the distribution of the charters of different periods is as follows:

	Undatable	Mid 13th century or earlier	Second half of 13th century	c. 1290-1300	After 1300	Total
Peterborough	0	4	3	0	0	7
Boroughbury	1	5	54	37	18	115
Walton	1	6	49	10	4	70
Werrington	1	17	43	5	1	67
Glington	4	18	58	12	0	92
Castor	1	1	15	8	3	28
Irthlingborough	0	2	6	2	0	10 <sup>3</sup>
Cottingham	0	0	0	7	1	8 <sup>4</sup>
Tinwell	0	3	9	3	2	17 <sup>3</sup>
Stanwick	0	0	2	1	0	3
Great Easton	1	0	19	2	0	22
Oundle	1	0	6	1	0	8
Scotter	0	2	21	0	5	28
Walcot	0	0	0	1	5	6
Total	10	58	285	89	39	481

<sup>1</sup> No. 372, dated 1372, almost certainly for 1272. It is, however, possible that a few of the charters here dated to Edward I's reign belong to Edward III's, in which case our date for the collection (below, p. xxiv) would be some years too early.

<sup>2</sup> For references to ex-landholders not described as 'quondam' see nos. 230 (Reginald Waterville), 24 (Reg. Grant, cf. 26, in which he is 'quondam'). In no. 178 Reginald Reeve's 'quondam' must be due to alienation not death.

<sup>3</sup> Nos. 390-1 have been counted under Tinwell, to which they really belong; no. 392 is not counted.

<sup>4</sup> Nos. 393 a-e have been counted as five documents.

The division into periods has had to be made according to the convenience of the dating criteria. The impact of *Quia Emptores* makes 1290 a suitable turning-point; and the increasing use of the dating clause makes early fourteenth-century charters easier to place. But this has the effect of distorting the impression given by these figures. Some of the charters dated to the middle of the thirteenth century probably belonged to the period after 1250, so that there is a very marked concentration in the second half of the thirteenth century.<sup>1</sup> As we have seen, a number of these groups of charters were gathered in in the later years of Abbot Richard of London, especially in 1293–4; and Abbot Richard's activities, following hard upon *Quia Emptores*, though not directly due to it, may well have made alienation by charter more difficult or more hazardous.<sup>2</sup> But the comparative paucity of fourteenth-century documents is none the less striking. The latest dated document is no. 70, of 21 November 1339.

2. Ff. 87<sup>v</sup>–94<sup>v</sup> (nos. 481–95). Miscellaneous documents: two connected with a tenancy of Thurgarton Priory in Collingham (Notts., nos. 481–2); an inquest *post mortem* of the holding of a tenant in Warmington, which gives a remarkable picture of an estate largely built up by piecemeal acquisition (no. 483 of 1335); and a group of quit-claims and other miscellaneous charters relating to small pieces of property, mostly between the abbot and his tenants in Peterborough (nos. 484–95). Several of these regulate the relations between the abbot and the abbey swineherd, a troublesome man called William Swon, which were settled in 1294. Ff. 95<sup>v</sup>–97<sup>v</sup> are blank.

3. Ff. 98–115<sup>v</sup> (nos. 496–548):<sup>3</sup> the *Carte antiquorum registorum precentoris*, i.e. charters copied from earlier registers or cartularies in the precentor's keeping—the precentor was normally in charge of the abbey's library, and apparently of its records as well at this date.<sup>4</sup> A number of these charters also occur in the Pytchley and Swaffham cartularies (Peterborough Dean and Chapter, MSS. 1, 5; Pc, Swa). The texts in these two manuscripts are very close to one another, and they were evidently copied from a common source. A number more occur in the 'Maior liber fratris Johannis Achirche' (Soc. of Antiquaries MS. 38; A),<sup>5</sup> whose relation to our manuscript is discussed below. One charter (no. 521) also occurs in the Black Book (Soc. of Antiquaries MS. 60; N), three (nos. 501, 524, 548) in the Sacrist's cartulary (F, F2),<sup>6</sup> and one

<sup>1</sup> Equally, some of the charters bracketed as 'mid 13th century or earlier' may be well before 1250 (e.g. no. 391 certainly belongs to the 1220's). In estimating dates we have been wary of placing charters too early, and it is possible that some have been dated too late—cf. Additional Note 1.

<sup>2</sup> See above, p. xvii and below, pp. xliii ff.

<sup>3</sup> A number of these are referred to in P as C.A.R.P., nos. 1 (= 496) to 53 (= 548).

<sup>4</sup> For lists of cartularies and registers, see above, p. xi n. The series of abbot's registers, properly so called, begins at Peterborough in 1295; but many of its functions were performed for the preceding generation by the chronological material in the Black Book (ed. Stapleton, *Chron. Petroburgense*, Camden Soc. xlvii, 1849). It looks as if this part of the Black Book itself had a predecessor or predecessors covering the abbacies from Benedict to John of Caux. The isolated charter of Benedict's predecessor, William of Waterville, seems to be included because it was relevant to the charter of Benedict which accompanies it (nos. 513–14). The later abbot's registers owe much to the model of the bishops' registers of the day (on the abbot's registers, see W. A. Pantin, in *Hist. Essays in honour of James Tait* (Manchester, 1933), pp. 201–22; on the origins of bishops' registers, C. R. Cheney, *English Bishops' Chanceries, 1100–1250* (Manchester, 1950), pp. 104 ff.).

<sup>5</sup> Also in the later copy of A, Cotton MSS. Cleopatra C. and ii (C. C2).

<sup>6</sup> George Fraunceys's Registers (see table of Abbreviations).

other (no. 533), a grant to the abbey of Bury St. Edmunds, in several Bury cartularies.

All but two<sup>1</sup> of these charters are grants by the abbot and convent; most of them deal with property or rights attached to the abbot's own share of the convent's revenues;<sup>2</sup> apart from one charter of Abbot William of Waterville (1155-75) (no. 514), all belong to the period 1177-1263—the last which can be closely dated is of 1257 (no. 527). Most of them concern the alienation of larger blocks of territory than are dealt with in the *Carte nativorum*; and they include enfeoffments, grants of wardships (nos. 519, 531, 535), grants of messuages and other property in Peterborough (e.g. nos. 527-8) and elsewhere, grants of churches to clerks of the abbot (nos. 511 and 513 to Master Amicus, Abbot Benedict's clerk, cf. also 514), and one mortgage (no. 508). One of the most interesting is no. 533, the confirmation to Bury Abbey of one rood in Castor, together with a grant of the right to transport Barnack stone from Barnack to the River Nene and along that part of the river over which Peterborough Abbey had control, between Alwalton (Hunts.) and Peterborough. More closely related to the theme of the *Carte nativorum* are two manumissions (530, 540), one of them accompanied by a grant of a tenement (15 acres of arable, 2 acres of meadow, and a house) now freed from the servile burdens previously attached to it (516). One charter abstracted in the *Carte nativorum* (58) is given here in full (546). The scope of these charters differs from those in a normal cartulary in representing a wide range of different kinds of transaction, as well as resembling the later abbot's registers in consisting almost exclusively of abbots' *acta*. It is likely, indeed, that the source from which this section was copied was an attempt at a primitive register; and although it evidently gave full texts, and tended to group documents of each abbot together (though not in chronological order), it may have been collected partly as some kind of formula book of the various instruments issuing from the abbot's office.<sup>3</sup> Whatever its nature and purpose, the following considerations suggest that the collection of charters in our manuscript is a transcript of a single thirteenth-century register.

Sixteen of the fifty-three charters are also in MS. A, all but two of them grouped together in a single section of A, where they appear in this order: 496, 498, 500, 505, 507, 515, 517, 520, 533, 534, 539, 542, 543, 547. The two manuscripts are nearly contemporary—they are written in a similar hand, and were probably both inspired by the same official;<sup>4</sup> probably A is somewhat the later. The texts are closely related, but neither is a copy of the other: each has good readings omitted by the other, some of these omissions being substantial. The manuscript omits three of the four terms of payment in no. 547, while A consistently omits the witness lists. Common errors in nos. 515, 533, 539, 543, 547 would suggest that both were copied from a single source, and that this source

<sup>1</sup> 502 (a fine to which the abbot was a party), 524 (a part of the same transaction as 523).

<sup>2</sup> Exceptions are (e.g.) nos. 514, 523-4, 526-8 (dealing with the sacrist's property), 506, 514 (almoner's), 537 (cellarer's).

<sup>3</sup> On English formularies, see Cheney, *English Bishops' Chanceries*, pp. 119 ff.; and above, p. xvii n.

<sup>4</sup> See p. xxv.



was a volume of transcripts rather than a set of originals. These errors, however, are trivial; more cogent is the coincidence of order. Although A has only fourteen charters to our manuscript's fifty-three, they are all in the same order. It is also very striking that in the section for which they are parallel, no charters in A are missing from our manuscript,<sup>1</sup> and that A's selection shows much the same chronological range as the manuscript. This seems to prove that the common source was a single book. The coincidence of order would be very remarkable if there were more than one source; and since A has selected fourteen charters without taking one missing from our manuscript, it looks as if our manuscript was a virtually complete transcript of its original. Against this is the title in the manuscript '*Carte antiquorum registorum precentoris*'; but it is possible, either that this represents the intention rather than the fact, or that extracts from other registers were included in the lost quire or quires following no. 548.

Comparison with the other texts is not so revealing. In the two charters in other parts of A the texts are not so closely related. In no. 502, indeed, the manuscript has the name of one of the judges correct, while he appears in a corrupt form in the other three texts. On the whole our manuscript tends to stand apart from the others, but not far apart. A few hints suggest that the precentor's register(s) derived (in part at least) from drafts, not from the documents themselves. In nos. 500 and 513 we have texts without heading and without proper lists of witnesses; comparison with other versions of 513 shows that the original in normal use at Peterborough differed in small points of drafting from this text. In 533, manuscript and A, being Peterborough texts, not unnaturally show slight differences from the Bury texts, doubtless based on a different original; but once again, a draft may be suggested by the absence of witnesses from the manuscript, and perhaps by the use of '*dabunt*' instead of '*dederunt*' for the consideration (which was, however, an annual rent). Finally, in no. 543 the manuscripts waver between two constructions in the *reddendo* clause (see note e) in a way understandable in a draft, unusual in the finished product.

None of these points is compelling in itself; but between them they confirm the impression given by the collection as a whole, that we are being shown, at one or two removes, some of the materials on the files in the abbey's writing office in the third quarter of the thirteenth century.

4. *Ff. 116-21<sup>v</sup>* (no. 549) (f. 122<sup>r-v</sup> is blank). The treatise on the quadrant (*Tractatus quadrantis*) of Master Robertus Anglicus of Montpellier.

The treatise, which is anonymous in our manuscript, occupies most of a quire; but it is in the same hand as the rest of the manuscript, and the next document starts on the last leaf of the quire, so that it was evidently intended to be part of the book,<sup>2</sup> extraneous object though it is. The treatise occurs frequently in late medieval manuscripts all over Europe, and in a variety of languages, of which the original Latin version and a Greek translation have been edited by Paul Tannery;<sup>3</sup> its text is

<sup>1</sup> The loss of one or more quires may slightly weaken this argument.

<sup>2</sup> See above, p. xi.

<sup>3</sup> *Notices et extraits des manuscrits de la Bibl. Nationale et des autres Bibliothèques*, xxxv. ii (1897), 561-640; reprinted, with other articles on the treatise by the same author, in P. Tannery,

therefore not reproduced here. Collation with Tannery's edition suggests that our scribe had access to a good manuscript, which he has rendered none too faithfully. It has the normal *incipit* 'Geometrie due sunt partes' and *explicit* 'per eius altitudinem et productum dabit eius capacitatem'.<sup>1</sup> It omits the large table described by Tannery,<sup>2</sup> but includes the smaller table,<sup>3</sup> somewhat inaccurately. Two whole sentences are omitted, and also the headings, with one partial exception,<sup>4</sup> although space is usually left for them.

The term 'quadrant' is applied to any instrument constructed in the form of a quarter-circle, and such instruments, usually of metal, have been employed for a variety of purposes at different times. The quadrant described in this treatise could be used either for measuring vertical angles in surveying or the like, or, more accurately, for measuring the horizontal angle of sun and stars, and so estimating the time. The quadrant was imported into western Christendom, like so many similar instruments, from Islam. Some kind of quadrant was already known in the eleventh century, and the object described in this treatise was probably known some time before the work itself was written (in or about 1274).<sup>5</sup> The larger tables which appear in some manuscripts were compiled c. 1200, the small table reproduced in ours early in the twelfth century—but whether in Christendom or in Islam is not clear. Robert's treatise was the standard work on this kind of quadrant in the later Middle Ages; his was known as the 'old quadrant'. The more elaborate and precise 'new quadrant' was described in a treatise written by Jacob ben Machir (Profacius), a Jew of Montpellier, in 1288.<sup>6</sup>

This quadrant, then, was essentially a mobile sundial, although it may have been used for other purposes. It would be intriguing to know if the instrument was used to check the monastic time-table. Although mechanical clocks were beginning to be used in the west in the fourteenth century, time was still most commonly measured by the sun, and the monastic horarium was based on the use of sun-dials—or guess-work. The hour was officially a fraction of the time from sunrise to sundown, or from sunset to sunrise, not a fixed period—it only became a fixed period when clockwork finally superseded the sun-dial. In epochs less concerned with punctuality to the minute than our own, the shifting length of the hour was not particularly inconvenient. But the sun-dial will only tell the time by day when the sun is shining, and is usually a fixed and cumbersome object. The quadrant had three advantages over it: it was portable; it was more precise than most sun-dials; and it could be used at night for measuring time in relation to the stars. The monastic

*Mémoires scientifiques*, ed. J.-L. Heiberg, v (Toulouse-Paris, 1922), 112 ff.—the treatise occupies pp. 150–89. Tannery lists thirty-five manuscripts, but knew of more; Professor S. Harrison Thomson suggests that 'there are probably at least one hundred MSS. of the work extant' (*Writings of Robert Grosseteste*, Cambridge, 1940, p. 261 n.); for English manuscripts see also R. T. Gunther, *Early Science in Oxford* (Oxford, 1923), ii, 162. The work is discussed and placed in its setting by G. Sarton, *Introd. to the Hist. of Science*, ii (Carnegie Institution, 1931), 993–4. Tannery decided that the author's name was Robert, although a number of manuscripts call him John. The work has also been wrongly ascribed to Robert Grosseteste and Robert Kilwardby. In our manuscript it is anonymous.

<sup>1</sup> The manuscripts used by Tannery omit the second *eius*, which he added, conjecturally, after *capacitatem*. <sup>2</sup> *Mémoires*, v, 147–8. <sup>3</sup> Printed *ibid.*, p. 164.

<sup>4</sup> 'De eodem mensurando sine quadrante per uirgam. Uel sic sine quadrante . . .' (*ibid.*, p. 183) is rendered 'De mensuracione sine quadrante' (f. 120<sup>v</sup>).

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 202.

<sup>6</sup> Gunther, ii, 163 ff.

day began in darkness; and it is an intriguing speculation whether the monks of Peterborough checked the time, on clear nights, by the use of a quadrant.<sup>1</sup> But it is only speculation; and the instrument may have been used for surveying.

5. *Ff. 123-43<sup>v</sup>* (ff. 144-8 are blank)<sup>2</sup> (nos. 550-61). Miscellaneous documents, not written consecutively, but apparently added from time to time by the scribe of the rest of the manuscript. Their first conspicuous feature is a community of interest with the *Carte nativorum*. No. 551 lists tenancies by free men on virgates of bond land in Castor and Glinton, and this is continued in no. 553; no. 554 lists free land held by villeins in the soke of Boroughbury—an inquiry made by Brother J(ohn) of Achurch, warden of the manors; no. 560 is an inquest on the property of a villein in Tinwell, who was himself the heir named in an inquest in the *Carte nativorum* proper (no. 390, cf. 411a); no. 561 is a grant to an abbot's villein. The other documents are grants or inquests of similar small properties, lists of meadow land (550), an estimate of the quantities of corn due at the abbey at Michaelmas 1344 (?) from the abbot's manors (557), and an account of the duties of the beadle of Boroughbury, especially in the organization of labour services (558). The man for whom these documents were copied was evidently interested in the organization of the abbot's manors in general as well as in the problems of villein tenure in particular.

### III. *Date and authorship*

Apart from the table of contents and no. 379, the text of the book is written in a single hand of the mid fourteenth century—a hand which on palaeographical grounds one would assign to the second rather than the third quarter of the century. The hand changes in character as it goes through the book, but the change is gradual, so that it cannot be attributed to a different scribe, but to changes of mood and the passage of years. In the early part there are a number of glosses. Gloss hands are very difficult to identify, but the bulk of the glosses could be in the same hand as the book, and are certainly of similar character and date; a few are later additions.<sup>3</sup>

One of the documents in the *Carte nativorum* is given the surprising date 1372, but there is every reason to believe that this is an error for 1272 (no. 372). Otherwise the latest document in this section is of 21 November 1339. This occurs comparatively early in the collection (no. 70), and we can say with confidence that the *Carte nativorum* were not drawn up before 1340. A marginal note to no. 356 seems to have been

<sup>1</sup> The manuscript of which our text is a copy may or may not have been in the abbey library. It cannot be identified in the catalogues printed by Gunton and M. R. James.

<sup>2</sup> Except for some scribbles; see below.

<sup>3</sup> Additions in later hands are noted in the text. Apart from the table of contents and no. 379, the only items certainly in a different hand are on f. (i)<sup>v</sup> (see p. 1 n.), the heading to no. 481, perhaps a few glosses (e.g. to nos. 392, 507), and the scribbles at the end, in various fourteenth and fifteenth century hands: '(f. 147<sup>v</sup>) Dum sumus in mundo uiamus corde iocundo; (f. 148) Memorandum quod anno Domini millesimo ccc lx Robertus de Ram(eseia) abbas Burgi Sancti Petri) . . . (Robert of Ramsey, 1353-61); Wylllelmus. Ryght reuerend' and worschypful Wylllelmus, Syr I recomend' to yow; Gaudete in Domino semper iterum dico; in Domino confido.'

When the scribe originally laid out the book—or at any rate the *Carte nativorum*—he left spaces at the end of each section for additions (very few were actually made) and at the beginning of each section for a heading, which he himself subsequently filled in (*Carte nativorum de . . .*).

written not long after the death of Abbot Adam (1338); a gloss to no. 370 refers to a fine made in 1347–8.<sup>1</sup> Nos. 36–37 have two glosses each, the second pair of which were added in or after 1348–9, and suggest that the first glosses must have been written some years before 1349.<sup>2</sup> The historical and palaeographical evidence thus combines to suggest a date early in the 1340's for the *Carte nativorum*.

The evidence of the quires proves that the book is now in the order in which its scribe left it.<sup>3</sup> It does not follow that every section of it was written in its present order. The charters from the precentor's register(s), for instance, or the treatise on the quadrant could have been written before the *Carte nativorum*. The treatise, indeed, like the *Carte nativorum*, starts at the beginning of a quire; but the charters from the precentor's register start on the penultimate leaf of a quire, which does not suggest that they were intended to form the start of a book. However our manuscript began, the section which at present concludes it was probably the last to be written.

It has already been noted that the final section of miscellaneous documents give the impression of being added from time to time as they came to hand, unlike the previous sections of the book, each of which is a considered whole.<sup>4</sup> The dates of nos. 550–61 form a significant pattern. Nos. 550, 555, 558–9 cannot be dated even approximately. The rest run: 1340 (551), c. 1340 (552–3), 1341–2 (554), 1316 (556), 1344(?) (557), 1346–7 (560–1). With the exception of no. 556, they run in chronological sequence, like a register, and it certainly looks as if these documents were entered at the time, or soon after they were first drawn up. If this argument carries conviction, we could date the *Carte nativorum* c. 1340 and the later sections of the book c. 1340–7.<sup>5</sup> The evidence is not entirely compelling, but these dates cannot be far wrong.

With the possible exception of the treatise on the quadrant, all the documents in the book are related to the special interests of a man closely concerned with the administration of the abbey, more particularly with the abbot's side of the administration. By a practice common in large Benedictine houses, the revenues and estates of the abbey were divided between abbot and convent, i.e. between the abbot on the one hand and the obedientiaries on the other. The *Carte nativorum* and both sets of miscellaneous documents arise out of the administration of

<sup>1</sup> Since Abbot Henry, by whom the glosses to nos. 370 and 36–37 are dated, became abbot on or soon after 8 December 1338 (see p. 225), the fine almost certainly took place in 1348, and the events noted in 36–37 in 1349.

<sup>2</sup> The first gloss gives the name of the tenant who held the land when the gloss was written—Agnes Gere (36), Mariota Gere (37). The second describes what happened after these tenants had surrendered it in 1348–9. It seems reasonable to suppose that in each case the first gloss was written before 1349.

In addition, a number of the names in the glosses also occur in documents of the 1340's: e.g. William atte Churchgate (289, 294), William Cordel (356), John Garswade (243), John Richard (234), and William Warin (352, 356, 375) all occur in no. 551 (1340) (John Richard also in the Werrington Court Roll of 1320); similarly a number of the names in no. 554 (1341–2) also occur in glosses. It might be argued that the gloss to 94 ought to be later than 1346, when Richard of Crowland died; by the same token that to 126 ought to be earlier than 1346. Neither point is certain; even less certain is whether the Robert of Crowland of no. 444 was the rector of Oundle who died in 1342 (F, p. 318), the layman who occurs in 1348 (P, p. 80 n.), or another. But these and other details make a date much later than the 1340's unlikely for any of the glosses in the original hand.

<sup>3</sup> See above, p. xi.

<sup>4</sup> It is possible that section 2 (above, p. xix) was added piecemeal; but this is not so clearly the case as with sec. 5, save that no. 481 is clearly a later addition in a blank space of a document relevant to 482.

<sup>5</sup> But see above, p. xi n.

the abbot's manors; so do the bulk of the *Carte antiquorum registorum precentoris*, all but two of which must originally have been drawn up in the abbot's writing office. But it is the villein charters and the final group of documents which reveal most forcibly the special interests of the author of the book: in organizing the abbot's manorial rights; in preserving the legal distinctions between bond and free and the revenues and perquisites accruing from them; in supervising the redistribution of land in the manors and vills; in supervising the duties of the beadle of the manor of Boroughbury; in estimating the amount of corn which each manor should yield. These were the duties of the men who supervised the abbot's manors—in a remote sense, of the abbot himself and his lay steward, in a more intimate way, of the abbot's bailiffs and of their chief, the monk warden of the abbot's manors.<sup>1</sup> In no. 554 he is specifically named: 'libera terra natiuorum de Burgbirisokne unde capta fuit inquisicio anno domini H(enrici) abbatis iiij per fratrem J(ohannem) de Achirch tunc custodem maneriorum.' Mr. Mellows suggested,<sup>2</sup> I am sure correctly, that Brother John of Achurch was responsible for the book itself; and we may presume that the hand which wrote it was that of his clerk or secretary.

John of Achurch was evidently a considerable figure in the administration of the abbey in his day. He was the author, or presiding genius, of two other cartularies: the Greater Book of John of Achurch (now Soc. of Antiquaries, MS. 38, A) and the Lesser, or Red Book (Peterborough, Dean and Chapter, MS. 6, A2), the former a miscellaneous collection of charters, writs, and other documents—including a number of charters also copied in the *Carte antiquorum registorum precentoris*—the latter consisting of royal charters to the abbey and transcripts of pleas. Both were made in or shortly after the later 1340's, and they are somewhat more calligraphic and formal than our manuscript; but their main hand is very similar in character to that of the *Carte nativorum*. Apart from these books there are references to Achurch as warden of the abbot's manors in 1342 and 1344.<sup>3</sup>

#### IV. Note on the text of this edition

The original spelling has been preserved, and the whole text printed, except for the treatise on the quadrant.<sup>4</sup> The more significant errors of the scribe are noted, either in the notes or bracketed in the text (see list of Abbreviations). The *Carte nativorum* are strictly a calendar, not a transcript, and the author evidently intended to reduce the charters to a consistent formula. But he or his scribe departed from this in a number

<sup>1</sup> Possibly, too, of the abbot's receiver; but his functions were more domestic and financial. Manorial administration was presumably the warden's sphere. Two monk-wardens, to administer the abbot's properties, had been established by Abbot William Hotot (1246-8) (Morton, p. xxi n.); in the event, there is evidence of one monk-warden in the late thirteenth century (N, f. 261) and in the time of John of Achurch, and the office seems to have lapsed later on. It may have been amalgamated with the office of abbot's receiver in the late fourteenth or early fifteenth century, when the bulk of the abbot's estates were let out to farm.

<sup>2</sup> In the title-page to the manuscript transcript on which this edition is based.

<sup>3</sup> Peterborough, Dean and Chapter, MS. 6, f. 153 (157)\*; MS. 7, f. 87v; P, pp. xxxiii-xxxiv.

<sup>4</sup> No. 474 is also not printed, as it is a version of no. 445, in whose notes the variants are given.

of ways, sometimes by incorporating the words of the original or by switching from one formula to another. This happens sufficiently often to make it plain that the scribe was not making a fair copy of an earlier register, although he may have been working, at least in part, off copies, enrolments, or schedules rather than the originals themselves. There are in addition a fair number of minor errors. The result is that the text often reads more like a set of notes than like coherent Latin sentences, and to attempt to emend it consistently would be to rewrite it. Errors are noted sparingly—usually when they are misleading, or can be emended. Certain emendations have been incorporated into the text to make it more intelligible; if at all speculative, they are given only in the notes. On the whole, though careless, the scribe seems to have wished to be understood, so that sense can usually be made of his text. In general, we have attempted to reproduce the manuscript faithfully, but at the same time to make it reasonably intelligible—not what the scribe ought to have written (which is beyond reconstruction), but what he probably thought he had written. We can control the text of no. 481 and of a number of the charters from the precentor's registers by other texts. For these he was rendering a reasonably good copy, and blunders are fewer. We have given reasonably full collations of other manuscripts in most cases, save that the readings of C and C2, which are a copy of A, are omitted.

To clarify the text, *marginalia* and interlinear glosses are usually printed at the end of the document to which they refer. This cannot be done where a charter grants a number of parcels, to each of which there is a marginal note; in such cases the glosses are placed where they occur in the manuscript. Roman numerals have been kept throughout, in most cases translated into arabic in the abstract; the *estimacio bladi* (no. 557) would be easier to follow with arabic numerals, but being an isolated account, it did not seem suitable to alter the convention for it. 'u' and 'v' are given as 'u'. Place-names and the like ending with an abbreviation mark have usually not been extended—e.g. 'Carton', 'Dodisthorp' are spelt 'Carton', 'Dodisthorp'; the abbreviation is retained only when there is reason to think the scribe intended an additional letter or letters, and doubtful extensions are bracketed.<sup>1</sup> For dates between 1 January and 24 March both years are given—e.g. 7 Feb. 1302/3 (modern 1303). The legend *Before 1290* indicates a date not long before 1290, i.e. well into the second half of the century, probably not before c. 1270.

The abstract has been kept as full as possible so as to make the text intelligible to a wider audience, and to clarify the meaning of some of the charters.<sup>2</sup> The 'terms' when rent was paid and a few constantly recurring

<sup>1</sup> Except for a few trivial instances, e.g. where the *reddendo* clause could read either 'seruicium debitum' or 'seruicia debita'. In addition, the word 'campus' is sometimes used to mean 'arable land' (thus 'in campo de Burgo', and cf. 'in campo et prato', 'in arable and meadow', no. 348) sometimes to mean field, i.e. open field, in the more ordinary way (which produces 'in campis de Burgo'). In a large number of cases it is not certain which extension was intended. These have been extended to 'campis' unless there is special reason for not doing so, because when he writes the word in full the scribe gives 'campis' far more often than 'campo'. Curiously, 'one and a half' is treated as singular in considerably more than 3 cases out of 4, when the reading is unambiguous. In this instance we have accepted the normal practice of the scribe when the reading is uncertain.

<sup>2</sup> The inquisitions, surveys, and other documents are more summarily calendared.

phrases have been omitted.<sup>1</sup> The titles 'abbot', 'sacrist', 'almoner', &c., refer to the officers of Peterborough Abbey—in such cases we have saved idle repetition by suppressing the words 'of Peterborough'. *Marginalia* are usually omitted from the abstracts, but the more complex or interesting are translated in notes. Place-names are identified; where no county is given, they are in Northamptonshire. Place-names used as surnames are given their county (where known) in the index, but not in the text. Unidentified place-names, or those without a modern equivalence, are given in italics in the form in which they occur in the text; these are collected in the index (see also Appendix III). In order to make the abstracts clarify and interpret the charters, surnames have been rationalized in the abstracts. It is impossible to do this consistently, but the alternative is to reproduce all the weird forms of the text and leave the identifications to the index, which would destroy one of the abstracts' main functions. A number of surnames occur both in Latin (e.g. *pistor*, *ad caput uille*, *in angulo*) and in English (e.g. Bakester, atte Touneshende, in le Hyrne); these are usually given their modern l.c.m. (e.g. *pistor* is Baker, sometimes Baker, al. Baxter; Touneshende is Townsend) or some single spelling which bears a relation to the way in which the man would have been addressed (*in angulo* becomes Hyrne), and the spelling used is in each case noted in the index. Words like *prepositus*, *cocus*, *bercarius*, are especially difficult: they may be used as descriptions—'the reeve, the cook, the shepherd'—or as surnames—'Reeve, Cook, Shepherd'; very frequently as both. We have rendered these as if they were surnames, offering here once and for all the proviso that some of them were never intended to be such.<sup>2</sup> Surnames were extremely fluid in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, and the unavoidable effect of this is an excessive rationalization. On the other hand, where a man used two different surnames—e.g. both a patronymic and, so to speak, a matronymic<sup>3</sup>—the form of the charter is reproduced, with explanations where necessary. An attempt has been made to combine the interests of lucidity and historical interpretation with a minimum of violence to the text.

The bulk of the grants in the *Carte nativorum* are in exchange for a

<sup>1</sup> The warranty clause was almost invariable in grants in the late thirteenth century, and common before, so its absence is noted, but not its presence, in the abstracts. In quit-claims it was not used, and so its presence alone is noted (this usually means that the document is a grant as well as a quit-claim). Grants of arable land are normally referred to as being 'in campo or campis de...' (see preceding note); these words and references to arable ('campus, terra or terra arabilis') are omitted from the abstracts unless there is any ambiguity. 'Uilla' is normally a 'vill', but is sometimes used to distinguish the village centre from the open fields. In such cases we render it by the composite 'vill(age)'. 'ucl assignatis' is rendered 'and assigns'; 'or assigns' would be equally accurate, perhaps in some cases more so; but the sense is not affected, and this translation enables us to give a consistent translation to all the forms 'et, ucl, siue assignatis'.

In general we follow the conventions suggested in the British Records Association Report on *Cataloguing of Deeds* (1938), save that we use 'grant' instead of 'gift', a word less confusing to the non-legal mind, particularly as the bulk of these transactions were probably sales.

<sup>2</sup> For Hyrne, see note to no. 196. A good example of the confusion of trade names and surnames occurs in nos. 172-4, 175-82, 184-6. John the reeve of Walton was son of Reginald the reeve, who was son of John the smith. It is reasonably certain that the father and grandfather held those offices; but John, who is sometimes called 'son of (Reginald) reeve' sometimes just 'reeve', may or may not have held the office. In one charter (184) he is called John son of Reginald of Walton (this may be a scribal error, but there are a number of similar cases).

<sup>3</sup> See notes to nos. 289, 400, and cf. 458 n. and 466. Frequently double surnames are used, or rather a surname is combined with the place of domicile ('atte Green of Garton', 'of Northampton of Peterborough', &c.); both are liable to vary (cf. no. 18 n.). The latter is rendered 'of' whether the Latin is 'de' or 'in'.

rent (usually small or nominal), and in many cases it is noted that the rent is to be doubled for relief—i.e. that the next tenant (usually the heir) will pay double the rent in his first year. This is rendered 'doubled for relief' in the abstracts; it was a normal arrangement on peasant tenements, whether held in villeinage or in socage.

## CHAPTER 2 THE CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS

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### I

THE document is highly unusual, and, as far as I know, the only one of its kind as yet known to historians. The circumstances in which I came across it are in themselves evidence of its novelty and importance. In the spring of 1938 my wife and I were paying one of our recurrent calls on Mr. W. T. Mellows of Peterborough. A couple of years previously he had introduced us to the great collection of documents in the archives of Peterborough Minster and in his own possession; since then both of us frequently visited Peterborough to work on the archives and to discuss them with our charming and enthusiastic friend. On this occasion the conversation turned on the misdeeds of the antiquaries of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Sparke's credulous edition of a Peterborough survey started us off,<sup>1</sup> and as a further illustration of how careless the great antiquaries could be, Mr. Mellows took down from his shelves a little volume in what appeared to be a parchment cover, and bearing on its back the legend 'Carte Nativorum'. He hoped to look more carefully into its contents than he had so far been able to do, but he thought that the volume must have belonged to an eighteenth-century antiquary, who may or may not have assembled it, but who certainly gave it its title. And all three of us agreed that an antiquary should have known better than to perpetuate on the cover the title of *Carte nativorum*. Was it not a commonplace of legal history that villeins could not acquire or transfer property by charter? For one thing, charters were sealed documents, and only freemen could have a seal and were allowed to use it for authenticating documents.

This argument, so obviously in accord with legal doctrine, seemed conclusive, and we passed to other subjects. But while the conversation continued I absent-mindedly turned over the pages of the document and equally absent-mindedly noticed that some of the names in the charters were familiar. At the time this did not strike me as unusual or specially interesting for I was then working on Peterborough sources and my head was full of local names. But in the evening of the same day, back in Cambridge, while counting the labour services of villeins in one of the abbot's surveys which I had transcribed during the day at Peterborough, I realized that some of the familiar names in Mr. Mellows's volume were those of villagers in the surveys, and that the title *Carte nativorum* need

<sup>1</sup> J. Sparke, *Historiae Coenobii Burgensis Scriptores Varii* (London, 1723), pp. 175 ff.



not have been quite as wrong as a few hours previously we had judged it to be. Two days later I found myself again at Peterborough and was able to collate a number of entries in the volume with the evidence of the Surveys, and finally to satisfy myself that in most of them villeins figured as parties.

My conclusion was that the volume was probably true to its title and was nothing else but a peasants' cartulary. For this is what the *Carte nativorum* apparently is. This conjunction of a thirteenth-century date with inter-peasant charters is somewhat unusual and, to put it modestly, significant.<sup>1</sup> However, the date of the charters is not the only point of interest in them. What gives them their significance is the peasant status of most of the parties.<sup>2</sup> A few of the men in the charters are described as freemen and probably belong to the upper crust of village society. Thus, the family of Solomon of Werrington are listed in the thirteenth-century Surveys as holders of at least 4 virgates, and are described in charters as freemen.<sup>3</sup> Similarly, William of Anstey, a seller of land in Cottingham, is described in the charters as a *liber homo* even though he owed the bishop rent, ploughing service, and *precaria*.<sup>4</sup> Among the sellers of land in Glinton we find at least three men described as freemen.<sup>5</sup> In addition a large number of men—in fact the majority of men whose names could be identified by cross-reference to the thirteenth-century Surveys—were sokemen or holders of soke land.

On the other hand, some of the sellers of land and most of the buyers were apparently unfree tenants. Now and again the charters expressly state that one of the parties, usually the buyer, is a bondman, or that the land he bought is held in bondage. Thus in listing the various pieces of land acquired in Castor by Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend, the cartulary notes that the land is held in villein tenure: *et tenetur in bondagio*.<sup>6</sup> The last two entries of leases in Irthlingborough are between villein and villein. John son of John Rose of Irthlingborough is described as *natiuus* in an entry recording the abbot's seizure of his land. *Natiuus abbatis* is also the description of William Gressop of Ingthorpe about whose purchases more will be said presently.<sup>7</sup> Now and again the servile status of the buyers can be surmised from the manner in which they are described in the charters. For if we are right in assuming that the man whom a Glinton charter describes as Robert son of Ralph *le Freman* or *Fraunchumme* was in fact a free man, we must on the same grounds be

<sup>1</sup> For the dating of the charters, see above, pp. xvi–xix.

<sup>2</sup> The majority of the parties seem to have been of peasant status; the following are the chief exceptions. The tenants of Walton appear in a number of charters (listed above, pp. xiii–xiv); although one at least was of peasant origin (Richard of Crowland), they were tenants of one-quarter of a knight's fee (cf. P, pp. 142–3 and n.). Ralph of Carham, 'warden of the manor of Scotter', need not have been a peasant (see nos. 458, 474a); and one ought perhaps to include holders of abbey serjeanties (e.g. John the Almoner, nos. 53, 108; cf. also no. 152). The grantor of no. 315 may have been a knight. The grantor of no. 339 was the son of a knight, but the family was impoverished by this date. Burgesses (of unknown status) are parties to nos. 398, 402; most of the persons described as merchants in nos. 64, 105, 369, 451, 455, 460–8 (a merchant's widow occurs in no. 40), could be assumed to have been town merchants and therefore free. But villagers described as 'merchants' could be villeins, and one or two of the parties to charters thus described were abbot's villeins (Robert son of Brand, nos. 460–8; and for Martin, nos. 451, 455, cf. p. lxii). Apart from these the abbot himself is party to a certain number of charters, and the prioress of Stamford to no. 391.

<sup>3</sup> See Additional Note 1, p. lxii.

<sup>4</sup> No. 393 a–e.

<sup>5</sup> Robert son of Ralph (nos. 274, 277–80, 308, 322, 324, 326); William (292, 296) and John son of William (305, 317).

<sup>6</sup> No. 359 (gloss).

<sup>7</sup> No. 390; cf. p. xxxviii.

justified in assuming that Arnold *le Leif* to whom he sold his land was in fact a *lief* or a serf.<sup>1</sup>

Charters with explicit references to villeins are not of course very numerous, but this does not mean that villeins did not figure in most of them. The whole collection appears to be devoted first and foremost to villeins' business. The fourteenth-century compiler assembled the collection under the general title of *Carte Nativorum*, and in grouping his charters according to manors he has prefaced each group by a similar heading. And if negative evidence is not altogether to be spurned it would be worth noting that in the charters contemporaneous with the thirteenth-century Surveys, only some of the names, mostly those of sellers, will be found among the sokemen and freemen listed in the Surveys. Most of the other names, as a rule those of the buyers, will not be found in the Surveys, and must have belonged to the category of tenants whom the Surveys did not list by name, i.e. that of the abbot's villeins. And in keeping with the villein character of the main collection many of the other documents of the volume, which were presumably added at other dates and did not form part of the main cartulary, are also concerned with the affairs of villeins. We find among them an inquisition into the break-up of some villein virgates into free lettings, a list of holdings of the villagers in the meadows of Alkborough (Lincs.), manumissions of two villein tenants of the abbot of Peterborough, and a survey of a gift of land whereby a very considerable number of villeins and their chattels were granted away to Thurgarton Priory. It is indeed very difficult to think of any reason why these documents were appended to the cartulary unless the compiler took it for granted that the cartulary was the proper repository for documents concerning villeins.<sup>2</sup>

We may thus be justified in accepting the document's terminology and in treating the collection as primarily concerned with land transactions of the unfree. But the probability that most of the men mentioned in the charters (certainly most of the buyers) were the abbot's bondmen does not signify that the land sold, bought, or let was necessarily or always bond land. On the contrary, as I have already indicated, the names of many of the sellers, the terms on which they sold the land, and the services which they owed for it to the abbot all suggest that the land was as often as not free land. My own impression is that many of the charters combine in the same transactions the free and the unfree elements of the village: villein and villein land, with freemen and free land.

In this combination lies the main business of the cartulary and much of its interest. Very frequently the apparent object of the transactions which initiated the series of charters relating to any single holding was to supplement the customary tenements of villeins or to carve new villein holdings out of land which may previously have been held by freemen or sokemen. It also appears that even where the seller happened to be a villein and the land was described as bondland, the buyer almost

<sup>1</sup> Nos. 308, 324; 274 (and see index, s.v. Freeman, Leif; and for other references to villein status, above, pp. xiii-xvi and index, s.v. villeins).

<sup>2</sup> Nos. 551, 550, 530, 540, 481.

invariably held it for rent.<sup>1</sup> This did not, however, alter the nature of the transaction and did not affect the status of either the land or its holder. Economic historians now well understand that in the thirteenth century large portions of villein land (on some estates it was the whole of the land in villeinage) were held wholly or mainly for rent. It was therefore possible for the land transferred by our charters to be held for rent and yet to form part of a villein holding and be held on customary or bond tenure.

However, the most significant feature of the charters is not the status of the land but the status of its buyers and sellers. The frequent occurrence of villeins among them bears witness to an active market in peasant property and to this extent belies more than one assumption commonly made about the English village in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.

True enough, most of the charters in the *Carte nativorum* date from the middle and the second half of the thirteenth century, and thus, at first sight, require from historians little more than a slight readjustment of conventional dates. It is now generally agreed among historians that during the closing century of the Middle Ages—the late fourteenth and the first half of the fifteenth—peasants bought and sold property in most parts of England. Both Miss Levett and Miss Page have described at length the sales and leases of land on the estates of St. Albans and Crowland in the late thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. Professor Douglas has drawn our attention to the active sales and exchanges of property among peasant sokemen and freeholders of East Anglia in the same period. Vinogradoff, helped, as he doubtless was, by his knowledge of the contemporary Russian village, took it for granted that at the time of the Hundred Rolls, i.e. in the 1270's, informal sales and leases of land among peasants were common. More recently Kosminsky has tried to make full allowances for the increasing importance of leases and sales of peasant land in the late thirteenth century; and the same possibility has more recently still been suggested by Mr. Hilton.<sup>2</sup> If so, all the *Carte Nativorum* may appear to do is to push the full development of the land market a little farther back; a decade or two earlier into the thirteenth century.

This view of the *Carte nativorum* does not perhaps go far enough, or for that matter deep enough. It assumes that the land market made its first appearance in the late thirteenth century and that it may not have been important until well in the fourteenth century. In general it follows the distribution of documentary evidence too closely and perhaps too uncritically. For it appears to assume that if references to peasant alienations appear in our records in 1270, or thereabouts,

<sup>1</sup> One or two entries say that the land was to be held in bondage without specifying the service (see gloss to no. 359 on Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor); a few others mention boon works or ploughing services (e.g. Robert Fauvel's land in Cottingham, no. 393 c). However, both free and soke land could be liable to boon works; and it was also common practice to retain boon works and other light services from villein holdings put out to rent.

<sup>2</sup> A. E. Levett, *Studies in Manorial History* (ed. H. M. Cam, M. Coate, L. S. Sutherland, Oxford, 1938), pp. 187 ff.; F. M. Page, *Estates of Crowland Abbey* (Cambridge, 1934), pp. 112 ff.; D. C. Douglas, *Social Structure of Medieval East Anglia* (Oxford, 1927), pp. 61 ff.; P. Vinogradoff, *Villeinage in England* (Oxford, 1892), pp. 330-1; E. A. Kosminsky, *Studies in the Agrarian History of England in the Thirteenth Century* (Oxford, 1956), pp. 211-13, 224-6; R. H. Hilton, 'Gloucester Abbey Leases of the late Thirteenth Century', *Univ. of Birmingham Historical Journ.*, iv (1953-4), 12.

and become frequent in the last decades of the century, the practice of alienation itself also began and developed at the same dates and at the same pace. Conclusions like this, identifying the history of the document with the history of its subject, may come naturally to medievalists; but a more careful attention to the available evidence might suggest that the suddenness with which documents like the *Carte nativorum* appeared in the late thirteenth and the early fourteenth centuries does not necessarily mean that the economic and social relations in the village changed also suddenly and at the same time. The turning-point which the documents signify may well have been one of manorial administration and diplomatic rather than one of village economy and society.

## II

There are strong grounds for believing that the *Carte nativorum* were merely a local instance of the new methods which some landlords of the thirteenth and the early fourteenth centuries began to use in regulating land transactions of their villein tenants. What apparently happened was that on a number of estates on which much land had been previously leased or even sold without the regular and organized participation of the lord, or at least without a settled routine, the administrators began to record and register all the land transactions of their tenants.

These changes in manorial attitudes and procedures left a clear mark in the records, but they have not so far been described and may therefore repay a closer inspection. Historians have generally and rightly taken it for granted that in medieval law the villein was not permitted to alienate or to exchange his land without his lord's permission. This attitude is echoed and re-echoed in countless cases before national and local courts, in repeated enactments of manorial officials, and in corresponding clauses in manorial ordinances, customals and surveys, and private charters.<sup>1</sup> A corresponding attitude to movable property does not figure equally prominently in our evidence; it can, however, be detected in some of our records without much difficulty. Now and again we find it expressed in injunctions against the sale of ploughing animals, such as the injunction promulgated in some Ramsey surveys of the mid thirteenth century, or invoked on behalf of the lords in legal proceedings.<sup>2</sup>

This attitude was rooted in feudal land law as well as in the doctrine of villein status. In law the villein had no right to property. Both his land and his chattels belonged to the lord who could resume them at will and

<sup>1</sup> For the unsuccessful thirteenth-century attempts of Abbot Roger of St. Albans see *Gesta Abbatum Monasterii S. Albani* (Rolls Series), i (1867), 453-5; also A. E. Levett, *Studies in Manorial History*, pp. 187-8. Cf. W. H. Hart (ed.), *Historia et Cartularium Monasterii Gloucestriae* (Rolls Series), iii (1867), 217 and F. W. Maitland (ed.), *The Court Baron*, Selden Soc. 4 (1890), p. 102. For the legal doctrine see F. Pollock and F. W. Maitland, *History of English Law* (2nd ed., Cambridge, 1898), i, 329 ff. and esp. p. 382; prohibitions of subsequent alienations were sometimes incorporated in documents licensing sales, e.g. E. Toms (ed.), *Chertsey Abbey Court Rolls Abstract*, Surrey Rec. Soc. xxi (1954), p. 14, no. 142.

<sup>2</sup> e.g. on Ramsey estates: W. H. Hart and P. A. Lyons, *Cartularium Monasterii de Rameseia* (Rolls Series, 1884-93), i, 303, 304, 437. Also *Curia Regis Rolls* (1210-12), vi, 294; *Year Book, 18-19 Edw. III* (Rolls Series, 1905), pp. 502 ff. In this case the lord's authority is confined to his right to protect his villein's animals from distraint by third parties.

which in fact he resumed or pretended to resume at the end of each tenancy. If, in obedience to his own interests, the manorial lord in fact did not arbitrarily dispossess his villein tenants in the midst of their tenancies, or interfere with the day-to-day sales of stock and produce, this did not mean that his right to do so had lapsed or was not recognized in law. And though villeins in fact enjoyed full security of life-long tenure or even rights of inheritance in accordance with local custom, landlords could always be expected to oppose the alienation of villein holdings or even their transfer by lease.

In theory—and the emphasis is on theory—the lord's opposition to alienation could be justified by the needs of manorial economy. Where and when alienation was piecemeal and threatened the integrity of a customary holding—a virgate or a bovate—it could also be construed to threaten the efficient discharge of the tenant's duties and obligations to his lord. The argument behind the construction is not difficult to imagine. Money rent could perhaps be paid and collected *pro rata*, even from holdings broken into a number of small and irregular plots. But other dues, such as manual labour on the lord's demesne, ploughing services with the village plough teams, attendance at boon days or at court, were not easily divisible and could not be assigned in proportionate fractions to each acre or rood. Where such labour dues and personal obligations were still exacted, it was in the lord's interest to prevent the holding from sinking below a certain economic level and above all from being broken up into a multitude of petty parcels.<sup>1</sup>

On the same grounds it is possible to argue that from the lord's point of view the most dangerous sales were those of villein land to free tenants. For although in law villein land in the hands of a free man did not become free land, transactions of this kind threatened to take customary land out of the sway of the lord's unlimited rights and powers. It is very largely for these reasons that manorial injunctions against alienation of villein land frequently single out for special prohibition sales of villein land to freemen or sokemen. Even the king—the most liberal and indulgent of medieval landlords—was anxious that the 'sokemen of the ancient demesne'—a privileged groups of villein tenants—should not alienate their holdings to other sokemen.<sup>2</sup>

The concern of the village community in preventing the alienation of villein holdings is perhaps less obvious and is less thoroughly documented. Professor Homans, in his book on the thirteenth-century village, discusses several cases from which it appears that the village custom was often inimical to the break-up of villein holdings or to their passing into the hands of non-villeins.<sup>3</sup> This attitude may have represented nothing more purposeful than the natural conservatism of peasant society and its vigilance on behalf of the inherited social relations and

<sup>1</sup> The doctrine with special reference to partible inheritance is summarized in Pollock and Maitland, I. 381–2.

<sup>2</sup> Sometimes the landlords' licenses to alienate include a proviso against subsequent alienation to ecclesiastics and Jews to safeguard against danger of mortmain and forfeiture to the king; below, Additional Note III on *Land Transfers on the Estates of the Abbey of St. Albans*. It is, however, strange to find the prohibition many years after the expulsion of the Jews, as in 1334 on the Chertsey estate: *Chertsey Abbey Court Rolls*, p. 56.

<sup>3</sup> G. C. Homans, *English Villagers of the Thirteenth Century* (Cambridge (Mass.), 1940), ch. xiv.

class structure (which is the view Professor Homans himself appears to favour); or else it may have reflected the villagers' reluctance to allow holdings to get into the hands of men who did not share the collective burdens of the village, such as tallages, ploughing dues, payments for the agistment of animals, or liability to manorial offices. It is also possible that communal attitudes merely echoed the wishes of the lords. But whatever the reason, there is no doubt that the bias of communal custom and of the lords' courts was to favour the maintenance of the traditional pattern of village holdings, and to discourage the unrestricted transfer of villein land.

How much this bias was in fact capable of deciding the lord's attitude is a matter on which I shall have more to say later. But in considering the effectiveness of the communal bias we must not think of it as the only influence at work. For in the twelfth and the thirteenth centuries the village was open to pressures and inducements which were bound to stimulate sales and leases of land. Some of the inducements were purely economic; they might even be described as commercial. For as good land was getting short, and rents and land values were rising, many a wealthy villager may have been tempted to cash in on the rising market and to offer his lands for sale in parcels. Such may have been the explanation of the numerous sales of land by the abbot of Peterborough's substantial freeholders and sokemen. Similarly, it is possible that some men bought land for speculative purposes, i.e. in order to re-sell or sublet again at a profit. The abbots of Peterborough themselves engaged in such operations from time to time, and so may have done some of their tenants. Yet the balance of evidence suggests that the main stimulus for traffic in land was generated within the peasant community and owed more to certain abiding features of peasant life than to the higher land values of the thirteenth century and their attractions for speculators.

On general grounds, i.e. those of mere common sense and of comparable experience in other peasant cultures, we must assume that in societies in which the family is the unit of ownership and exploitation, the needs and the resources of individual families are too unequal and too unstable to allow the family holdings to remain uniform or unaltered in use and size. Ideally the size of a family holding in a peasant society is one which is large enough to fill the family's mouths and small enough to be worked with the family's hands. This ideal many families could approach; few could realize in full. In all peasant societies (certainly in Europe) there always have been holdings inadequate to the needs of large families or to the resources of rich ones, as well as holdings too large for the unaided labour of small, poor, or aged households.

Inequalities of this order were also to be found in medieval English villages at the very dawn of documented history. The presumption therefore is that in the English village, as in all peasant villages, the inequalities were remedied in ways open to most villagers. One of the remedies was that of the labour market. The smallholder could—and we know he did—hire himself out to the lord or to the more substantial villagers; the latter hired labour to supplement the labour resources of

their households. But an equally obvious remedy was to be found in the land market. A family well provided with land, but deficient in labour or stock or tools—childless couples, widows and widowers, old men and invalids, or merely poor or improvident husbandmen—might find their larger holdings too much for them, and be compelled to sell or let what they could not work themselves. On the other hand, smallholders with large and strong helpers at home, or wealthy and energetic peasants capable of providing themselves with the necessary stock, or of finding outside labour, or anxious to build up a rent roll of their own, would buy or hire such additional land as there was to be had.

The existence of these 'natural' sellers and buyers has not escaped the notice of historians, especially of historians like Miss Levett and Miss Page, who had access to large collections of manorial court rolls. Miss Page found on the manors of Crowland Abbey groups of persons who habitually let or otherwise alienated portions of their holdings as well as groups of men who habitually acquired land from others. There were thus the Attetouneshends of Oakington, who in the second half of the thirteenth century held a tenement of 15 acres. William Attetouneshend the First let out parcels of the holding three times, and then through 'impotence' surrendered his holding to his son William, who in the twelve following years appeared in the Court Rolls thirty-four times as a lessor and finally gave up his land through inability to cultivate it himself. Other regular lessors on the Crowland Court Rolls were Geoffrey Kyng of Oakington and the Stirmys of Drayton. Geoffrey Kyng was apparently under the same compulsion of 'impotence'.<sup>1</sup>

Needless to say not in every village were the aged and the decrepit able to find relief in sub-letting their holdings. On manors, such as those of Glastonbury, on which traffic in land was effectively controlled, so many of the customary tenants are recorded as having surrendered their holdings to the Abbot *propter paupertatem, propter impotenciam, or propter senectutem* as to suggest that on these estates the acres of men who could not cultivate them were not directly sold to those who could. Yet it is possible that even on the Glastonbury estates a surrender on the ground of incapacity may have been nothing else than a pre-arranged preliminary to a sale of land by men incapable of cultivating it.<sup>2</sup> And whatever was the practice at Glastonbury there is no doubt that on most other estates the connexion between sales and the incapacity of the sellers was very real. There is no reason for doubting it in the Crowland instances already cited. That the connexion was equally real elsewhere is shown by the frequent decisions of manorial courts to remit the fines for illegal sales on account of the sellers' or lessors' poverty.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> F. M. Page, *Estates of Crowland Abbey* (1934), pp. 112–13; for accumulation of holdings, cf. A. E. Levett, *Studies*, p. 187 (Walter Wyggmore of Park) and p. 190 (Hugo Cok of Codicote), and cf. below, p. liii, n.

<sup>2</sup> Glastonbury Court Rolls, Longleat MSS. 11250 (Walton: John Cole; Buckland: Adam Cockerel); 11254/3 (Baltonsborough: John le Graa; Damerham: Robert le Crokere); 10654 (Pilton: John Rois; Batcombe: John Saber; Kingston: William Pistor), and many others. The typical entry is that N. 'senex et debilis est et non potest pro paupertate iura etc. sustinere', or 'non potest iura tenere nec domum sustinere' (e.g. *ibid.*, 11254/3, Baltonsborough), though sometimes poverty alone is alleged. A striking case in which the lessee is the prior of Southwark and the lessor is too poor to plead, is in D. M. Stenton (ed.), *Pleas before the King or his Justices, 1198–1202*, i, Selden Soc. 67 (1953), p. 362 (no. 3487).

<sup>3</sup> That poverty could be due not to the insufficiency of the holding, but to personal circumstances

It is therefore not surprising that women tenants, mostly widows, should figure very frequently among the lessors. Such were, for instance, Matilda, a widow in the St. Albans manor of Cashio, or Edith Blanche, of Halesowen, or Alice of Middleton on the Ely estates, or Genilda on the Ramsey manor of Cranfield, or other widows or unmarried women on occasions too numerous to list.<sup>1</sup> It is indeed apparent that unless and until a widow inheriting the husband's property remarried (as so many did), sub-letting was her most obvious way of turning the inheritance to account.

*Mutatis mutandis*, the persons buying land or taking it on lease were sometimes landholders of substance. Such was apparently Richard de la Grene, a villein of Wakefield who in the last decade of the thirteenth century acquired, in addition to his holding in Wakefield, a messuage with buildings in Pontefract, a bovate with buildings in Barnsley, and an annual rent elsewhere, or indeed several men whose purchases are recorded in the *Carte nativorum* and who will be mentioned again later.<sup>2</sup>

I doubt, however, whether rich peasants predominated among the buyers to the same extent to which poor ones predominated among the sellers. Among the buyers whose economic position we know, we find numerous men of humble rank, smallholders, or wholly landless persons who presumably disposed of idle hands, but were under-provided with land. Thus, a list of sub-tenants, to whom some time before 1281 one William Attehulle, a villein of Chalgrave, had let out a large part of his holding, appears to consist of village labourers and cottagers. A similar list of men who took land from Edith Blanche also appears to be made up of members of the 'labouring classes', such as Agnes la Seriant, or Henricus Tinctor.<sup>3</sup> In addition, the Court Rolls contain a great deal of indirect evidence pointing the same way. Thus, relatively few of the buyers or lessees of land were substantial enough to figure among the men who serve regularly on juries or inquests or acted as pledges. In general the little we know about the 'undersettles', i.e. the tenants' tenants, suggests that they were as a rule small men. More, however, will be said about them presently.<sup>4</sup>

There were thus two countervailing pressures at work. On the one side there may have been the desire of the lords and perhaps that of the village community to maintain the virgated tenancies intact; on the other hand

is illustrated by a late thirteenth century case in D. M. Stenton (ed.), loc. cit.: Sewell son of Robert, lessor of 2 virgates, unable to prosecute his claim against the lessee because of his poverty.

<sup>1</sup> The Court Rolls of St. Albans, *passim*, in A. E. Levett, *op. cit.*, esp. p. 310; the Ramsey *Cartularium*, i. 439; *The Court Baron*, p. 104; R. A. Wilson (ed.), *Court Rolls of the Manor of Hales*, iii (Worcs. Hist. Soc., 1933), 43, 71, 96, 103, 107; *Curtia Regis Rolls*, *passim*, e.g. viii (1219-20), 187.

<sup>2</sup> W. P. Baildon (ed.), *Court Rolls of the Manor of Wakefield*, i (Yorks. Arch. Soc., Record Ser. xxix, 1901), 242. Other evidence containing instances of large holdings assembled by piecemeal purchases in Douglas, *Social Structure of Medieval East Anglia*, pp. 63-64; Levett, *op. cit.*, p. 187; J. Booth (ed.), *Halmota Prioratus Dunelmensis*, Surtees Soc., 1886, pp. 14-16 (this last a remarkable case of a holding of several hundred acres assembled mostly by purchase, largely unlicensed, between 1315 and 1345), and elsewhere.

<sup>3</sup> M. K. Dale (ed.), *Court Roll of Chalgrave Manor, 1278-1313* (Beds. Historical Rec. Soc., 28, 1950), pp. 14-15; *Court Rolls of Hales*, iii, 107.

<sup>4</sup> Below, pp. xxxix-xl. Professor Kosminsky is one of the very few medievalists not only to acknowledge the fact of 'informal' inter-peasant transactions in the thirteenth century, but to work it into his analysis of rural society. He has, however, assumed that the buyers and lessees of peasant land were mostly richer men (*op. cit.*, pp. 225-6). Cf. W. G. Hoskins, *The Midland Peasant: the economic and social history of a Leicestershire village* (London, 1957), pp. 49-52.



there was the pull of the villagers as individuals away from the stable pattern of customary holdings. On the one hand the land market was bound to be to some extent restricted or at least controlled by authority, and the controls could not be expected to disappear altogether until the manorial demesne and the related system of peasant dues faded away in the late fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. But on the other hand the restrictions were not as a rule so severe, and the lord's opposition not so consistent as to impede regular transfers of land from villein to villein all through the period for which evidence is available.

The evidence is not of course available in equal profusion for all the centuries in the Middle Ages. Direct evidence bearing on the economic management of the estate and the social relations in the village seldom reaches back beyond the middle of the thirteenth century. The documents best capable of revealing the functioning economy of the manor, the so-called bailiffs' accounts, do not become at all common until the second half of the thirteenth century, and, moreover, tell us little about private dealings of villagers. Most of our information about these dealings comes from the rolls of manorial courts recording litigation among tenants and the more important transactions among lords and tenants. But no court rolls have survived from the twelfth or the beginning of the thirteenth centuries; and although a few rolls of the second quarter of the century have come to light, most of those available to historians date from the end of the thirteenth century and later. This being the distribution of evidence, it is not surprising that historians should have found the existence of the village land market in the earlier period screened from their view.

The screen, however, is not wholly impenetrable. To begin with, some evidence of the land market will be found in non-manorial sources and especially in the records of the King's Court. The surviving enrolments of the proceedings of the king's justices at the turn of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries are very few and summary, and villein business in them is very rare. It is therefore highly significant that a large proportion of these early cases of peasant land and inheritance should be concerned with land, both free and unfree, acquired by villeins by purchase or lease. Some of these acquisitions may have been made with the permission of the lord, as in the case in the *Curia Regis Roll* for 1214 concerned with a holder in villeinage in Peterborough who had, some one or two generations previously, sold his land to another local man.<sup>1</sup> But there is no indication of the lord's consent in some other cases, such as that in 1219 in which a villein in the Dorset manor of Pimperne is described as having purchased a holding in villeinage in the lifetime of his land-lord's predecessor.<sup>2</sup>

These references in the records of royal courts do not stand alone. A closer attention to other sources will reveal the operations of the land market long before the time when the manorial or even royal court rolls are able to display them in full. Thus, the earliest of the enrolled bailiffs' accounts, those for the estates of the bishops of Winchester for 1209-25, also contain, in addition to indirect reflections of the land market, direct

<sup>1</sup> *Curia Regis Rolls*, vii. 62.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.* viii. 98-99; ix. 92-93.

evidence of transactions among villeins. The sections of the accounts devoted to the profits of courts record numerous payments by tenants for permission to demise their land: *pro licentia dimittendi*. The entries occur on the two earliest of the Winchester Rolls—those of 1209 and 1210—and there is nothing in the form of entry to suggest that transactions were at that time in any way unusual or novel. In fact the wording of the entries is so laconic and so devoid of the explanatory matter which commonly prefaces references to new sources of revenue in the bishop's accounts, as to leave a clear impression of a stereotyped entry recording a well-established practice.<sup>1</sup>

Other indications in our records hint at the practice of unlicensed as well as licensed alienations at very early dates. Thus the rolls of manorial courts, though somewhat later than 1209, often deal with land transfers going back to the opening decades of the century and even earlier. I have already indicated that many of the charters in the *Carte nativorum*, roughly contemporaneous with the cartulary itself, merely wind up series of transactions stretching over a number of generations. In one case the *Carte nativorum* record an inquest into the history of a villein holding going very far back into the past. The history and the genealogy on which it is based begin with the purchase of 18 acres of land by a William Gressop, a villein with family connexions in Ingthorpe. The parties contesting the succession at the time of the inquest (1292) were William Gressop's grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren, who at one and possibly two stages descended from William through younger children. Allowing for medieval expectations of life, the interval between the original purchase and the inquest was at least seventy-five years long and probably longer, and the purchase must have taken place at the turn of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.<sup>2</sup> A descent of a purchased villein holding through a number of generations almost equally long is recorded in the Court Rolls of Wakefield. We read there of a piece of villein land which one Gerard le Double had bought from a villein and subsequently gave or bequeathed to one Ellen, possibly his daughter. The land then passed through the hands of several people, some of whom obtained it by purchase, until it came to be claimed by Ellen's son. If Ellen was Gerard's daughter, three generations would have separated the purchase from the date of the hearing.<sup>3</sup> In that case the purchase must have taken place very early in the thirteenth century, if not earlier.

Early thirteenth-century purchases can also be detected in numerous other cases of later date. Thus, the list of villein purchases by charter recorded in 1239 on the Ramsey Abbey court rolls consist almost wholly of transactions now legitimized by the payment of fines. The purpose and significance of this legitimization will be discussed later, but it is worth noting that some of these purchases must have taken place many years before 1239. Thus we are told that William Marshall, a well-established tenant of mature years, frequently serving on juries, resigned to the abbot the land that his father had bought from a villein; that

<sup>1</sup> There are at least fourteen references to *licentia dimittendi* in the bishop's roll for 1210–11 (P.R.O. Ecc. Comm. 2/159270/B) and at least four in the Roll for the preceding year (*ibid.*, A).

<sup>2</sup> Below, no. 390.

<sup>3</sup> *Court Rolls of Wakefield*, ii (1906), 81.

a number of villeins had bought land by charter from Simon fitz Ulph, a deceased father of one of the abbot's villeins, and that at least one of the purchasers, Ralph Trigolf, had also passed away since the date of the purchase; that one Gilbert, a villein, had some time previously sold  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of villein land which he had still earlier bought by charter from one Herbert also a villein.

Most of the early rolls of the King's Court and Bracton's notes from them record similar brief histories of peasant dealings reaching back to dates much earlier than the rolls themselves. Thus when we read of a case in 1233 of a holding sold or let by its two owners, Alexander and Robert, to one Adam Crane, who, in his turn, sold it to a man called Gilbert, who two years before his death had leased it to his son Martin for a term of years which expired some time before 1233, we are compelled to conclude that the sale to Adam Crane by which the series was initiated must have taken place many years before the date of the case, probably at the end of the twelfth century. Similar instances will be found on most of the rolls, and in combination they build up a strong case for the view that the habit of selling land (and, as I shall argue later, also of leasing it) had been fully formed before the date of the earliest *Curia Regis* rolls or that of the earliest bailiff's account: certainly by the turn of the twelfth and the thirteenth centuries.<sup>1</sup>

This view finds support in what we know about certain developments in the villages of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries which could not have occurred except through villein sales and sub-lettings. One of these developments was the proliferation of free and quasi-free appendages to customary holdings frequently listed in the surveys of the early thirteenth century. I shall have more to say about this matter later, but it is relevant to mention here that while some of the free lands in the hands of villeins must have come to them by grants from their lords, others they must have acquired by purchase. It will be remembered that many of the holdings in the *Carte navorum* had been bought by villeins from sokemen and freeholders.

Another development was the subdivision of customary holdings on some (by no means all) manors in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. For this subdivision the growing village population was obviously responsible, and there is some evidence to suggest that the lords responded to the pressure of population and to its promise of profits by splitting the larger tenements at the death or the resignation of sitting tenants. But there is also much evidence to suggest that some of the subdivisions resulted from the alienation of portions of customary holdings.<sup>2</sup>

An even more significant, though heavily disguised, manifestation of the village land market will be found in the existence of the so-called undersettles. Most historians are now agreed that the villages in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries contained a category of men who were

<sup>1</sup> *Cartularium de Rameseia*, i. 423 ff.; F. W. Maitland (ed.), *Bracton's Note Book* (Cambridge, 1887), ii, no. 783, iii, no. 1837; see also nos. 1203, 1256.

<sup>2</sup> This was obviously the manner in which some customary holdings in Bishop's Waltham were subdivided: below, Additional Note II on *Subtenants on Some Manors of the Bishops of Winchester*.

tenants of the lord's tenants. Unless they also held land of the lord they would not as a rule be listed in the manorial surveys. But now and again the existence of the sub-tenants is revealed in the manorial documents, as in cases when the manorial administrators tried to obtain some services from the undersettles. Thus, we find the inquisition into the bishop of Ely's estates in 1251 extending some labour dues to the peasant's servants (*anlepemen*) and to cottars whether resident on the bishop's land or that of his villeins: *cotterellus manens super terram alicuius customariorum suorum*.<sup>1</sup> But the commonest of all references to them will be found in the portions of manorial customals and surveys defining the labour services of tenants. These services frequently imply an obligation on the part of the tenants to bring their sub-tenants with them on boon-days.<sup>2</sup> On the manor of Meon, belonging to the bishop of Winchester, we find a tenant who presents himself at the great harvest boon works with as many as twenty-five sub-tenants. This land holding, though listed among customary tenancies, and held by a customary title of some sort was, by all appearances, not a peasant unit but an entire sub-manor. But it is easy to find in the returns of boon works on the bishop's estates, as on all other estates, numerous tenants bringing with them on harvest days other men in numbers much less than twenty-five yet large enough to suggest that sub-tenants were included among them.<sup>3</sup>

Needless to say we could not expect this class of sub-tenants to be equally represented everywhere. But a curious and significant feature of the class closely linking it with the land market is that while it was obviously present on some estates it left no trace on others. The contrast can sometimes be explained by the local variations of village economy and geography. Thus sub-tenancies may in fact have been infrequent on manors surrounded with large colonizable reserves from which new holdings could easily be carved out. But elsewhere the difference could be most plausibly explained by the working of the village land market and by the lords' attitude towards it.

The attitude of the lords to peasant sub-tenancies was bound to vary from estate to estate; and as I shall presently argue, it also changed from epoch to epoch. Wherever and whenever a landlord demanded that all men acquiring land from his tenants should hold directly from him, and was able to enforce his demands, the effect of the land market was to accelerate the turnover of the customary tenancies and generally to disrupt the apparent symmetry and stability of customary tenures. Such was apparently the position on the estates of the abbot of Glastonbury. But where the landlord did not try or found it impossible to enforce the surrender of land by sellers previous to its sale, the conventional pattern of customary holdings might persist in the extents while a class of sub-tenants would grow up concealed from our view. This may have been

<sup>1</sup> Brit. Mus. Cotton MS. Claudius C xi, f. 312<sup>v</sup>; also *Chertsey Abbey Court Rolls*, p. 41, no. 431 and pp. 46, 58 (nos. 481 and 583-6): subtenants mostly cottagers on holdings of other villagers; also W. O. Ault (ed.), *Court Rolls of the Abbey of Ramsey and of the Honor of Clare* (New Haven, 1928), p. 186.

<sup>2</sup> e.g. W. D. Peckham (ed.), *Thirteen Customals of the Sussex Manors of the Bishops of Chichester* (Sussex Rec. Soc. xxxi, 1925), pp. 33-34. For general discussion of undersettles see G. C. Homans, *English Villagers*, pp. 211-12; E. A. Kosminsky, *op. cit.*, p. 79.

<sup>3</sup> e.g. Nicholas de Lanrishe, Martinus de Barlyc, and Johannes Clericus in the Meon Customal of c. 1250. B.M. MS. Egerton 2418.

the position on some estates of the bishops of Winchester in the thirteenth century.<sup>1</sup>

We must therefore have it both ways. While the subdivision of customary holdings betrays the action of the village land market, the stability of the virgated pattern of villein holdings need not signify its absence. This it may signify on manors on which the demand for land could be met by newly reclaimed holdings. But elsewhere the persistence of the virgated pattern must be taken as an indication that it was left to the unofficial land market to reconcile the ancient tenurial pattern to the changing fortunes of individuals.

### III

What with the deductions from backward-looking entries in thirteenth-century judicial records and the evidence of under-tenants and that of subdivision of customary lands and the free appendages to villein holdings, the presumption of an active village land market in the twelfth and early thirteenth centuries is well supported. How is it, then, to be reconciled with what we are told of the villeins' inability to lease, buy, or sell land, especially villein land, and more especially by charter? And how are we to define and to explain the lords' attitude to villein transactions as they appear in the records of the late thirteenth century?

In theory the purchase of a villein holding—indeed of any tenant's holding—was possible only by 'surrender and admittance'. The seller had to surrender his holding to the lord, while the buyer had to take it from the lord as his tenant. But in fact this was not the form which all land transfers went through; and least of all in the earlier centuries. 'In this region', says Maitland, 'there seems to have been but little custom', which is another way of saying that rules were uncertain and unequally applied.<sup>2</sup> The manorial rules may have been stricter towards villeins' sales than they were towards their purchases and leases. In general, however, there is no doubt that such rules as there were could frequently be evaded.

The evasions could be more or less complete. Complete evasions were surprisingly frequent. At the end of the twelfth and in the early thirteenth centuries land was frequently bought, sold, and leased by villeins without any recorded licence from the lord. This is at any rate the impression which the earliest crop of presentations in manorial courts must leave on the student; and is also the impression he will derive from the very circumstances in which villein sales came before royal courts. Many, perhaps most, of the cases hark back to transactions for which the lord's consent was not invoked or at least not claimed in the pleadings. In many of these cases the buyers might have continued to hold their lands undisturbed, had not a death, a conflict of claims, or even a crime intervened to bring the history of the holding before the courts. Thus, in a Dorset case before the king's justices in 1219, cited above, the defendant denied that he was a villein, but admitted that he held in villeinage land which he had bought (*quam emerat*) some time

<sup>1</sup> This by itself may be too summary a distinction, for there were differences in the functioning of the land market even within the two estates contrasted here. See below, Additional Note II.

<sup>2</sup> Pollock and Maitland, i. 382.

previously. In the end his villein status was affirmed, but his purchase went unchallenged, even though he did not claim the lord's sanction for it.<sup>1</sup> An even more striking case, going still farther back, concerned the abbot of St. Albans. In the course of the hearings it transpired that the defendant, one Busseye, whose land the abbot claimed as his villeinage, had bought it of Alexander Waterletere, who had bought of James La Weyte, who held of Richard Burdun, who held of James, who held of the abbot. According to the abbot's plea, Alexander, the last seller, was of his villeinage; according to the latter's account, he had sold his land for 4 marks in order to raise ransom money after he had been captured at war. Here, in other words, was a whole series of alienations and sub-lettings of a holding which the lord regarded as his villeinage, but which apparently changed hands without his cognizance.<sup>2</sup>

The very frequency with which landlords enacted and re-enacted their prohibitions is perhaps in itself evidence of widespread evasions. Miss Levett has shown how unavailing for a very long time—probably until the middle of the fourteenth century—were these injunctions on the estates of St. Albans; and how until 1355 the manorial administrators of St. Albans did not control, or had given up the attempts to control, leases for less than two years.<sup>3</sup>

The by-passing of the landlord was sometimes revealed by the issue of charters. There is little doubt that the villeins of Peterborough were not alone in acquiring lands by the same process by which freemen acquired free land, i.e. by charter. Indeed, a very large proportion of the earliest references to unlicensed alienations which came up before manorial courts relate to lands thus sold. That these were, almost by definition, illegitimate transactions, goes without saying. In theory the villeins had no right to a seal, and could not sell, and most probably could not buy, land by a sealed instrument.<sup>4</sup> Yet the earliest pocket of direct references to land sales in manorial courts—that on the Ramsey estates in 1239—relates to at least eleven and possibly as many as nineteen charters mostly involving villein land. So do also a number of other batches of similar cases occurring in the other surviving court rolls.<sup>5</sup> So common and so familiar was the use of personal seals by villeins in the thirteenth century, that the Statute of Exeter, in dealing with Grand Inquests, could permit that, when a sufficient number of freemen could not be found, substantial villeins could serve, provided they possessed seals.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Above, p. xxxvii n.

<sup>2</sup> *Curia Regis Rolls*, xii. 91 (no. 465). Also *ibid.* vii. 108, Osbert of Norbroc who claims to be holding in villeinage of the bishop of London is sued for a holding which the plaintiff's father is alleged to have leased to him.

<sup>3</sup> A. E. Levett, *Studies in Manorial History*, p. 188.

<sup>4</sup> Maitland's version of the official doctrine excludes the villein by implication: 'before the end of the thirteenth century the free and lawful man usually had a seal': Pollock and Maitland, ii. 224. An early case in the King's Courts relating to the villein's right to seal documents will be found in *Curia Regis Rolls*, iv (1205-6), 19: '*non potest cirographum fieri, quia non est certum utrum sint villani necne*'; a similar case 21 years later in *ibid.*, xii. 354 (no. 1734). Yet there is no doubt that villein charters in our cartulary and elsewhere were sealed. For a description of villein seals see Hilton, *Univ. of Birmingham Hist. Journ.* iv (1953-4), 13 ff.

<sup>5</sup> *Cartularium de Rameseia*, i. 423-8; *Court Rolls of Wakefield*, i. 88. W. O. Massingberd (ed.), *Court Rolls of the Manor of Ingoldmells* (London, 1902), pp. 100-2, and elsewhere.

<sup>6</sup> 'E si defaute seit en les avautndite viles . . . ke il ny eyent taunt de francs houmes, scient ajoyntz de meillors et des plus sages e leals bundes e ke checun eyt seal.' *Statutes of the Realm*, i. 211. I owe this reference to the courtesy of Professor V. H. Galbraith.

The villeins obviously required charters and treasured their possession even though the land was unmistakably villein and the seller of the land was himself a serf. The reasons for this are not far to seek. A villein's charter might not, as a rule, be worth producing in court, but it still remained an incontestable record of purchase, and could be cited in the informal disputes before neighbours or arbitrators which undoubtedly occurred in medieval villages as they have done in villages and communities of other times and countries. Besides, the charter might not be altogether useless even before the manorial or royal judges. When the villein's own status was called into question, the possession of a charter might be a useful bit of ancillary evidence. The records of royal courts have preserved several cases in which the villein defendants claimed free status on no other ground than the possession of a charter, even though the land had been sold and the charter issued by someone who was not the villein's lord.<sup>1</sup>

Needless to say the use of charters by villeins was opposed by manorial lords. The very reasons why purchase by charter commended itself to the villein must have condemned it in the eyes of the landlord; and at first sight the condemnation might appear uncompromising. Most of the manorial injunctions against the alienation of villein land specify transfer by charter. Similarly, proceedings against unlawful acquisitions of land by villeins in the early court rolls seldom fail to mention the charter as an aggravating circumstance. In some entries it is the charter rather than the alienation of land itself that appears to have drawn the fire of the landlord's jurisdiction. In Chalgrave in 1302, where a tenant is accused of having acquired two acres of villein land, the main burden of the accusation is that he did so by vicious charter: *per scriptum viciosum*.<sup>2</sup> And it is apparently the right to alienate land by charter rather than the right of alienation itself that ranged the cellarer of St. Albans against the abbey's tenants in Barnet and elsewhere in a struggle which Miss Levett tells us was as long drawn out and as persistent as the friction about suit at the abbey's mills, famous in the social history of the fourteenth century.<sup>3</sup>

The frequent use of charters by villeins in unauthorized deals in the first half of the thirteenth century or even earlier betrays a general laxity of manorial controls. This laxity revealed itself in other ways as well: not only in the lord's failure to prevent such complete breaches of the law as the use of villein charters, but also in permitting partial evasions by recourse to informal manorial record. It appears that very often landlords did not require their tenants wishing to sell or let their lands to go through the formalities of surrender and admission. A licence and a fee appeared to suffice.

This use of licences may have had a connexion with the early appearance of undersettles. For whereas in transfers of land by surrender and admission buyers held of the lord himself, transfers by licence, like transfers without the lord's knowledge and agreement, created subtenancies of existing tenants. The difference was similar to that which we

<sup>1</sup> *Curia Regis Rolls*, ii (1201-3), 13-14. For an early twelfth-century grant of land by a landlord to a villein in free title upheld by the courts see *ibid.* v. 94.

<sup>2</sup> *Court Rolls of Chalgrave*, p. 43.

<sup>3</sup> A. E. Levett, *op. cit.*, p. 192; cf. p. 149 n. 5.

find in the more exalted sphere of holdings in fee simple between lands transferred by substitution and those transferred by subinfeudation. If so, I might stretch the parallel a little further by likening the situation in the twelfth and the early thirteenth centuries to that which prevailed on free lands before the days of the Statute of *Quia Emptores* (1290), when in Maitland's words 'subinfeudation was certainly much commoner than substitution'.<sup>1</sup>

The laxity of manorial controls thus revealed itself in several ways: in the issue of peasant charters, in other wholly unlicensed alienations, in transactions under informal licence. It would also be, so to speak, selective, i.e. more effective in some transactions than in others. It is possible that most of the evasions occurred not when villeins sold their holdings but when they acquired land, more especially free land; for when it came to the purchase of free land by villeins, the lords could well afford to be indulgent. The possession of a free holding did not impair the villein's ability to discharge the obligations of his customary holdings; it did not threaten to withdraw any property from the sway of manorial authority. On the contrary, under feudal law and local custom some of the lord's authority over villeins' property could extend also to the free land acquired by them. It is therefore not surprising that the manorial documents contain so few, if any, proceedings or injunctions against villeins acquiring free land. Nor were there any objections in common law. The common law view apparently was that the villein could acquire and hold free land freely from anybody who was not the landlord himself or his villein. The doctrine, as it was formulated in the thirteenth century, was that a serf could be enfeoffed with land by someone other than his lord, and would have recovery by the same action of *novel disseisin* which gave recovery to all free holdings. At the same time a villein owning free land had some advantages over sokemen and freeholders. By pleading that his property was legally his lord's, a villein owner of free land could bar all attempts to lay execution on his land for debt, or to dispossess him on other legal pretences.<sup>2</sup>

The lords' indulgence could not, however, have stopped at this point. The protection which the law gave to the villein dealing in free land and the tolerance which the lord showed towards alienation of free land to villeins must also have offered a loophole to villein dealings in villein land. The distinction between free land and customary land, so clear in theory, was often blurred in practice. There was a great deal of land in the villages of the second half of the twelfth and the thirteenth centuries the status of which was open to question. As a result of wholesale commutations in the twelfth century, or by virtue of agreement more ancient still, much

<sup>1</sup> Pollock and Maitland, i. 345.

<sup>2</sup> G. E. Woodbine (ed.), *Bracton de legibus et consuetudinibus Angliae*, iii (New Haven, 1940), 33, 91. *Curia Regis Rolls*, iv. 169: a typical case in 1206 in which the claim to inheritance under the assize of *mort d'ancestor* is successfully rebutted by a sitting tenant on a plea that he holds in villeinage. For other cases in which villeinage is invoked to bar pleas of debt, broken covenant, or inheritance, see *ibid.* i. 98 (1199), iii. 273 (1205), iv. 172 (1206), vi. 117 (1211), vii. 108 (1214), &c.; also G. H. Fowler (ed.), *Cal. of the Roll of the Justices on Eyre, 1247* (Beds. Hist. Rec. Soc. xxi, 1939), no. 205. The records have preserved several cases of men who held or had acquired land freely, converting it into villein tenancies for security against creditors. Thus, *Curia Regis Rolls*, vi (1210-12), 117: the plaintiff alleges that his creditors unlawfully seized his crops after he 'deposuit se de libero servicio terre sue in Akeburne et posuit se in servicio vilenagii'.



villein land was held for rent only. When land such as this was sold or let, it was possible for the parties to believe or at least to pretend that the land was free. There are numerous cases before the royal courts, mostly those of inheritance, in which one of the parties claimed free titles to the holdings on the ground they were held for rent. In these cases other evidence before the royal courts frequently established the villein condition of the holding, but the very fact that for holdings of uncertain status, free tenure could be claimed in courts must have encouraged many more transactions than the local supplies of saleable freeholds could alone support.<sup>1</sup>

Whether the loopholes in the doctrine and practice of villein tenure were the sole cause for the apparent laxity of the manorial controls is difficult to say. But whatever the causes of the apparent liberality, they seem to have had a greater effect in the late twelfth and the early thirteenth centuries than in the late thirteenth and the early fourteenth centuries. For there is some evidence for the view that by the turn of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries evasions had become less frequent, transfers by surrender more common. The attitude of the manorial administrator showed signs of stiffening.

How is that stiffening to be explained? Certainly not by the lord's growing concern for the integrity of the villein holdings or for the effective collection of labour services. Elsewhere in this essay I invoked these conventional explanations of the lord's attitude; but in doing so I warned the reader that this attitude did not appear to dominate the manorial practice of the late twelfth and the early thirteenth centuries. It certainly did not dominate it in the following hundred years. By 1300 the integrity of the customary virgate was on many manors a thing of the past, and so was also the lord's dependence on the full discharge of labour services. Indeed had his main preoccupation been with the virgate and its labour dues he would have confined his prosecutions to the men who alienated their holdings piecemeal and would have spared the sellers of entire virgates or semi-virgates, or of non-virgated land. But this was not what the landlords and their officers in fact did. When they called the sellers and buyers and leasers of land to account—as many of them did in the thirteenth and early fourteenth centuries—they were as hard on the sellers of whole virgates as they were on the men selling or leasing odd acres or roods. And when and where the routine of recording peasant sales was finally established, the manorial courts sanctioned and enrolled sales of odd pieces of customary land by the score.

This fact Maitland noticed and found somewhat inexplicable. In his introduction to the *Select Pleas in Manorial Courts* he drew attention to the very large numbers of entries in the thirteenth-century court rolls of

<sup>1</sup> The best-documented cases are those relating to the complaints of thirteenth-century communities of rent-paying villagers—'molmen', 'censuarii', and villein-sokemen of ancient demesne—against being treated as villeins. But references in our records to individuals claiming free holding or even free status because they held for rent, are also very numerous: e.g. *Curia Regis Rolls*, xi. 320 (no. 1600); cf. *ibid.* xii. 208. For free land held by villeins or vice versa, see *ibid.* ii (1201–3), 13–14: a man of alleged villein status holding land freely by a grant from a third person. *Ibid.* viii. 114–15 is a case of a large holding of 100 acres held in villeinage at the end of the twelfth century by a man whose personal status the jury in 1219 could not decide for lack of evidence. For other similar cases see *ibid.* vii. 108, and viii. 98–99; F. W. Maitland (ed.), *Select Pleas in Manorial Courts*, i, Selden Soc. 2, 1888, p. 22.

Ramsey Abbey, by which men surrendered small pieces of land in the hands of the lord *ad opus* of third persons. These he rightly concluded were sales of land. But in that case, he observed, 'how this traffic in roods was compatible with the system of virgate holding that we see in the extent of the manor is not very clear'.<sup>1</sup> The truth of the matter is that the lords who administered the system of sales and registrations, as we find it in the late thirteenth century, were not primarily concerned with the defence of the virgated pattern of village lands and obligations.

It is difficult to avoid the impression that behind the wholesale prosecutions of villein sellers, lessors, and lessees in the court rolls in the second half of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, and also behind the well-organized routine established by that time, were considerations which were mainly fiscal. One important fiscal motive could be the wish to safeguard the revenues from death duties (heriots), for these could be avoided by timely alienation or gift of a holding.<sup>2</sup> This motive, however, could not have grown stronger in the late thirteenth century than it was earlier and could not by itself have produced a marked change in the manorial proceedings. On the other hand the growing shortage of land in the thirteenth century, the greater opportunities for raising rents whenever holdings changed hands, the chance of levying an entrance fine (or in other words in sharing with the sellers some of the proceeds of the sales): all these would come naturally to an acquisitive landlord at the time when land values were on the rise. That the values were on the rise is a fact I have argued elsewhere and am proposing to take for granted here;<sup>3</sup> the acquisitive attitude of the landlords could also be taken for granted. It was part and parcel of the new-found efficiency which we associate with the progressive landlords of the time: men like Michael of Amesbury and Roger Ford at Glastonbury, Henry Eastry at Canterbury, Richard of London at Peterborough, Henry de Lacy on what were to become the Lancaster estates. Most of these reforming administrators tried and were able to squeeze out of their estates higher profits than ever before. And it was in the spirit of the times that they should have also tried to lay their hands on the rising values of the land transactions of their villeins.

This 'laying of hands' may in some cases have been a gradual process, a piecemeal tightening of the procedure whereby the lord could assert his concern in the transactions of his villeins. In many places, however, the landlords imposed their control over the transactions by a single act of administrative innovation. This may sometimes have been preceded by a general inquiry into past sales of customary land, as on the manor of Chalgrave in 1294.<sup>4</sup> But whether any such inquisitions took place or not, the time came in a number of manors when the landlord issued orders or invitations to the villagers to bring their charters into the court and offered to have them recognized and recorded on the payment of a

<sup>1</sup> F. W. Maitland (ed.), *Select Pleas in Manorial Courts*, i, Selden Soc. 2, 1888, pp. 105-6.

<sup>2</sup> M. M. Postan and J. Titow, 'Heriots and Prices on Winchester Manors', *Econ. Hist. Rev.*, 2nd series, xi (1958-9), 392 ff., esp. pp. 394 ff.

<sup>3</sup> This will, I hope, be discussed at greater length elsewhere, but cf. M. M. Postan's 'Chronology of Labour Services', *Trans. Royal Hist. Soc.*, 4th ser., xx (1937), 185 ff.

<sup>4</sup> *Court Roll of Chalgrave*, pp. 33-38. In 1294 the jury of customary tenants present the names of unlicensed buyers or lessors of land among villeins. This is apparently the first such presentation in the surviving rolls, and is followed by others in the subsequent two or three years.

fee. This was certainly the procedure in a case before the court of King's Bench in 1296, when the jurors gave evidence that one Robert of Barnham in Norfolk, the plaintiff's father, whom his lord claimed to be his villein, had some years previously (probably in the 1260's or 1270's) acquired land by charter and held the charter in his own custody until the steward 'summoned all the tenants of the aforesaid manor on a certain day, and held the court . . . and enjoined upon all that, if they had acquired any lands by charters, they should give him their charters. Among them it happened that the aforesaid Robert de Eastgate gave him his charters, and all these charters he afterwards returned to the aforesaid Robert for a fine of half a mark. . . .'<sup>1</sup> The context makes it clear that before the bailiff issued his order the tenants of this manor had been in the habit of acquiring land by unrecorded charters; and the context also suggests that the steward's order was something of an innovation.<sup>1</sup>

I know of no other equally plain story of the change; but that some such story was hidden behind many a dry record of the court rolls appears highly probable. Its outline, however shadowy, can be discerned in nearly all the court rolls containing numerous entries. Thus, when we find that at two courts held in the Ramsey manor of Brancaster on 22 February 1239, a large batch, perhaps as many as seventeen or eighteen villein transactions in land were recorded, we could safely assume that something had been done in that manor to net in not only the transactions of that year but all the past transactions still outstanding. As I have already mentioned, some of the entries refer to an event or a date which places the transaction well before 1239.<sup>2</sup> It is therefore significant that although transfers of land by charter continue to be recorded on the rolls of this and other Ramsey manors after 1239, they no longer occur in large batches of half a score or a score, but in small dribbles and at wide intervals commensurate with the sizes of the villages.

The 'reform' on the Ramsey manors occurred at an unusually early date. But, date apart, the evidence of bunched entries reveals the introduction of similar 'reforms' in many other manors, mostly taking place late in the thirteenth century. Thus, when we find on the manor of Chalgrave in Bedfordshire in the three years between 1294 and 1297 at least ten villein sales recorded in the court rolls we must bear in mind that no comparable numbers will be found in the earlier rolls (these are available from 1278 onwards) and that both before 1294 and after 1297 entries of peasant sales occur in ones and twos. And indeed it is implied that in 1294 or shortly before, the customary tenants were instructed or persuaded to return all the known cases of land in the hands of men who had bought it from other villeins.<sup>3</sup> Unfortunately the court rolls

<sup>1</sup> G. O. Sayles (ed.), *Select Cases in the Court of King's Bench under Edward I*, iii (Selden Soc. 58, 1939), 47 ff. The court did not pronounce on the plaintiff's personal status, but the fact that both he and his father paid *cheuagium* gives some substance to the lord's claim on him as his villein. The court did, however, think it relevant that he did not owe any other servile dues.

<sup>2</sup> *Cartularium de Rameseia*, i. 423 ff.; however, we find on the Ramsey Manor of Stukeley in 1294 a small batch of three orders to men who had bought land some time previously, to come and show their charters: W. O. Ault (ed.), *Court Rolls of Ramsey*, p. 214.

<sup>3</sup> *Court Roll of Chalgrave*, *passim*, esp. pp. 33-38.

of Halesowen and Wakefield are too late to reveal the events of the thirteenth century. The rolls of Wakefield for 1315 and 1316 contain licences to take up other tenants' land in very large numbers, possibly as many as 190. They may, however, be nothing more than applications to occupy newly assarted land, and would in that case be due not to a change in manorial procedure but to an important advance in the internal colonization of Yorkshire.<sup>1</sup> On the other hand the bunched returns of peasant sales in the late forties of the fourteenth century on the court rolls of some of the St. Albans manors can be taken as evidence of a mass surrender of charters which I believe followed an inquisition and a bargain between the cellarer and the abbot's villeins in 1345.<sup>2</sup>

An implied bargain probably lies behind the 'reform' on most estates. The sellers and the buyers of villein land by charter had all broken the law. The legal penalty for the breach was the cancellation of the contract and even the forfeiture of the land. Yet the manorial administrators offered in exchange for the delivery of the charters what amounted to an amnesty and the recognition of the sales both past and future, as in the Barnham case cited above. From now on the greater regularity of registered sales in manorial records would make the lord's control more effective. But this very regularity shows that the purpose of control was not to restrict, still less to destroy the village market, and that the lord's object was to profit from his villein's transactions. Transfers by surrender and admission may have become more general, though even now not universal.<sup>3</sup> Provided he obtained a fee, sometimes an increase in the rent, and commonly an undertaking by the new owner to perform all due services, the lord gave the buyer and the seller not only his consent, but also the security of official enrolment.

These at any rate were the terms on which the charters in the *Carte nativorum* appear to have been legitimized and enrolled by the administrators of the Peterborough estates. I have also shown that the collection must have been made up of charters which were brought into court quite late in the thirteenth and early in the fourteenth century together with the earlier, mostly undated and unlicensed, charters relating to previous transfers of the same holdings. It is for these reasons that I am inclined to consider the compilation of the cartulary as evidence not of a suddenly emerging land market but of a new attitude towards it on the part of the abbot of Peterborough and his servants.

<sup>1</sup> J. Lister (ed.), *Court Rolls of the Manor of Wakefield*, iv (1930), *passim*.

<sup>2</sup> St. Albans Court Rolls, *passim*, in B.M. MSS. Stowe 849 (Codicote), ff. 1-85, Add. 40625 (Park), ff. 1-119; Add. 40626 (Cassio), ff. 1-92; Add. 6057 (Croxley), ff. 6-16; Levett, *Studies in Manorial History*, p. 149, n. 5.

<sup>3</sup> Cases of tenants surrendering land *ad opus* of buyers will be found on a number of estates. This may always have been the practice on the estates of the abbey of Ramsey. In the later thirteenth century we find it on the estates of Glastonbury and Bury St. Edmunds: Longleat MSS. 10654, 11254/3, 11250, 10654, 10655, 10656, *passim* (Glastonbury); Bacon MSS. in the University of Chicago, Court Rolls of Redgrave and Hinderclay, *passim*. On the latter, however, this was not the universal procedure, and the more informal procedure of fees for licensed sales will also be found, e.g. Hinderclay Court Roll of 4 Edward 1: 'fecit finem ad vendendam terram'. For the estates of St. Albans see below, Additional Note III.

## IV

The conclusion that the village land market was much older than the documents like the *Carte nativorum* and may have been as old as the village itself, does not necessarily mean that transfers of land did not become more frequent as the Middle Ages drew to their close. Students of the later Middle Ages have been inclined to represent that period as specially favourable to traffic in land. In doing so they can draw upon a number of well-established presuppositions about the later Middle Ages. If we are right in assuming that the manorial bias against alienation of villein holdings was strongest when and where labour services were exacted, then we must be allowed to conclude that the bias lost its strength with the final commutation of labour services in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. Similarly if we are right in believing that the land which lent itself best to buying and selling was 'free' land or generally land held for rent, then we must also conclude that sales became easier in the later Middle Ages, when supplies of easily saleable land were more plentiful. If to these general presuppositions we add the documentary evidence of very frequent land sales in the late fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, we may find it easy to understand why historians generally believe that in the closing century and a half of the Middle Ages the village land market was much more active than in the early periods.

This contrast between the later and earlier centuries must not, however, be driven too far: certainly not to the extent of assuming that all the impediments to the land market were in the twelfth and the thirteenth centuries and all the facilities in the fifteenth. Historians are now agreed that commutation of labour services was by no means a new phenomenon in the late fourteenth century. There was widespread, and on some estates, wholesale, commutation of labour services in the middle of the twelfth century, as a result of which, by the end of the century, large areas of customary land were no longer burdened by heavy labour dues. Professor Kosminsky has recently reminded us that by 1279—the date of the Hundred Rolls—labour dues no longer were the main source of the lord's income from his peasant tenants. I believe that further examination of manorial evidence will reveal that the Hundred Rolls if anything minimize the extent to which the labour services had been commuted, and that the commutation had in all probability gone very far—perhaps near to its 1279 position—by the first quarter of the thirteenth century. But even if this belief were not borne out by researches now in progress, it would still remain true that in the thirteenth century customary tenancies held wholly or mainly for rent were very numerous and thus more than sufficient to sustain an active land market.

The same holds true of 'free', i.e. non-customary lands held for rent by customary tenants. These could come from three main sources. One source was the demesne lands let out by the lords, another was land recently reclaimed from the waste, and the third was land sold or let by freeholders other than the tenants' landlord, mostly petty landlords of the neighbourhood. Of the three sources the last is the one least

explored by historians, and until more is known about it we are not in a position to tell whether more freeholders' land was on offer in the fifteenth than in the thirteenth century. Of the other two sources, one, that of demesne lands, may have grown more abundantly in the second half of the fourteenth century than before, for as we all know, much demesne arable was at that time let out to tenants. Yet the extent of demesne lettings of the earlier periods was also quite considerable. Much demesne land had been farmed out to villagers in the middle and the second half of the twelfth century; and although on a number of estates the process was arrested for a time in the thirteenth century, it did not cease altogether everywhere. As for the remaining source—that of newly reclaimed land—it may in most places have been more important in the twelfth and the early thirteenth centuries than in the later Middle Ages. It is enough to cast a glance at the evidence of thirteenth century surveys of estates in regions where reclamation was active—those of St. Paul's in Essex, or those of the bishops of Worcester in the West Midlands, those of Glastonbury Abbey in west Somerset, or those of the bishops of Winchester in the east Cotswolds or the Hampshire Downs—to realize what a large proportion of land in the hands of villeins in the twelfth and the early thirteenth centuries consisted of rent-paying holdings recently reclaimed from the waste. What happened to this land in later centuries, how much of it remained in cultivation and for how long, is a subject as yet insufficiently studied by historians and cannot be discussed here. It is, however, fairly certain that in England taken as a whole the process of reclamation petered out in the later Middle Ages, and that in many places it had begun petering out in the late thirteenth century.<sup>1</sup>

So taking all in all, supplies of 'non-customary' land which, by definition, lent themselves best to free transfer, did not necessarily grow, or at any rate did not grow fast or continuously throughout the Middle Ages. In so far as the development of the village land market was dependent upon them, the advantages it enjoyed in the fifteenth century compared with, say, the twelfth century may not have been so great as to justify a striking historical contrast.

Easier to observe, though even less obvious, were the variations in space, i.e. between different parts of England and more still between different villages. Professor Homans in his discussion of alienation of land has suggested that in this respect East Anglia and south-east England differed from other parts of the country and especially the west. His argument is that the land transfers were more common in East Anglia or Kent where the manorial influences were not as all-pervading or as rigid as elsewhere, and where partible inheritance prevailed. The evidence which Professor Homans cites fits well into his territorial contrasts, though I doubt whether the fit would have been quite so close had Professor Homans been able to use some of the evidence of the

<sup>1</sup> The chronology of medieval reclamation will I hope be discussed at greater length in my forthcoming study, but it has, I believe, been accurately indicated in H. E. Hallam, *The New Lands of Elloe* (Leicester, 1954); idem, *The Lincolnshire Fenland in the Early Middle Ages* (an unpublished thesis in the University of Nottingham); M. Clough, *The Estates of the Pelham Family in East Sussex before 1500* (an unpublished thesis in the University of Cambridge), ch. 9.

Midlands and the West Country which was not available to him at the time when he wrote his book.<sup>1</sup> On general grounds, however, the distinction he draws appears plausible and is probably true. The fragmentation of free holdings by partible inheritance in regions like Lincolnshire or much of Norfolk may have created a multitude of holdings too small to sustain a family without recourse to wages or to the land market. What was equally important was that in some eastern counties free land and soke land were prevalent, and as we have seen, it is possible to argue that free lands were easier to draw into a land market than holdings held on villein tenure.

Yet this very connexion between freeholds, fragmentation, and land market must warn us against an over-simplified regional demarcation. Freemen and sokemen probably were more numerous in Kent or in the Danelaw than elsewhere, but this does not mean that they were absent or unimportant in other parts of England. If the evidence of the Hundred Rolls is to be trusted, there were whole Hundreds in Oxfordshire, Bedfordshire, Warwickshire, and probably in Buckinghamshire with a very large proportion of freemen or sokemen.<sup>2</sup> There were also large pockets of freeholders and sokemen in Yorkshire, Derbyshire, the counties on the Welsh and the Northern border, to say nothing of the counties on the fringes of the Danelaw such as Leicestershire and Northamptonshire. Above all, some of the free holdings of villeins, including probably much of the new land in the waste, were not everywhere subject to the manorial or feudal rules of succession to a single heir. So while the principle underlying the territorial distinctions is doubtless right, the frontiers separating areas favourable to alienation from those unfavourable to it formed a network more confused than the lines suggested by Professor Homans.

What also confused the lines was the lack of uniformity in the manorial control of sales on different manors within regions of broadly similar social structures. Some of these differences may be more apparent than real. As I have repeatedly stressed elsewhere, our documents and particularly manorial extents, do not all exhibit the same degree of change in the distribution of customary holdings. Some present the pattern of holdings as remarkably stable, others record continuous changes by subdivision and proliferation. I have also suggested that these differences sometimes reflected the attitudes of the landlord to the land market; but sometimes it is possible to detect real economic differences behind the contrasts in our documentation.<sup>3</sup>

Equally significant, though even more difficult to trace, may have been the difference in relative frequency of leases, on the one hand, and of outright sales, on the other. If I have so far treated leases and sales as if they had the same history, I did this partly for convenience of exposition and partly in mimicry of our records. In most of our sources illegal transfers are frequently lumped under the verb *tradit* or *dimittit*; as a rule the student will not discover whether sale or lease is in question except by going behind the terminology of the records and by exploring

<sup>1</sup> G. C. Homans, *English Villagers*, ch. xiv, esp. 204.

<sup>2</sup> E. A. Kosminsky, *Studies*, pp. 116-42.

<sup>3</sup> Above, p. xl.

the circumstances of each case. The leases and sales are also frequently lumped together in manorial injunctions against transfers of land.<sup>1</sup>

This indiscriminate treatment of sales and leases may in part have been due to the fiscal preoccupations of the manorial administrators. But what may also have influenced the manorial administration is that the titles conferred on a villein by purchase and by long lease were very similar, indeed almost identical. In medieval law, both royal and manorial, the villein's right in the customary holding he purchased, and perhaps even in the holding he received from the lord, was nothing more than a life tenure. In practice the custom recognized succession to rightful heirs, and it was very unusual for a customary holder or his successors to be disturbed in the continuous occupation of the holding. Yet the doctrine of life tenure was invariably invoked in all changes of customary title in manorial courts. Every time a customary holding fell vacant by death, lapse, or sale, the lord and the new tenant went through the form of a new re-letting. It is this form that the lords tried to enforce by the registration of land transfers in manorial courts, and it is probably this doctrine that prompted their opposition to sales by charter. For a typical charter almost invariably conferred property rights in perpetuity.

It is thus easy to understand why in so many transfers of customary land by licensed sale the new title was deemed valid only for the life of either the seller or the buyer. This condition certainly attached to all the transfers made under what I suggested was the procedure of later years. The case from Wakefield already cited elsewhere is in this respect especially interesting because it concerns a villein holding which changed hands six times in the period of fifty years. The alienations which took place there with the lord's permission, described as if they were purchases, were in fact valid only for the lives of the buyers.<sup>2</sup> Professor Homans quotes a case in the records of Halton in Buckinghamshire, which lays down that no tenant of the lord could demise his land except for his lifetime: *nisi ad vitam suam*. And similar cases could be cited from almost every estate for which court rolls have survived.<sup>3</sup>

Thus, in legal appearances, purchases and life leases were sufficiently alike to justify the refusal of medieval clerks to differentiate between them. Yet some differences of legal position there doubtless were. And when it came to short leases, the difference between them and sales was of course very profound. Outright sale finally broke the ties between the owner and his land and could therefore result in the permanent break up

<sup>1</sup> A variety of terms were used in the late twelfth and thirteenth centuries to designate leases. *Dimittit* occurs very frequently, but can also relate to alienations as when the bishop of Winchester's bailiff referred to customary tenants holding *ex dimissione* of N. The terms most frequently employed in royal courts are *inuadiuit* or *inuadiuit ad terminum* (below, p. lvii n.). *Ceperunt ad firman* occurs frequently especially in Glastonbury records, as in Longleat MS. 11250 (Middlezoy, Thomas Gydye); so does also *tradidit ad terminum*: *ibid.* 11254 (East Brent, Richard Robyn). On the estates of Durham Priory short-term leases are described as 'ploughings': 'Walterus Stirling pro licencia . . . arandi terram Conani ad medietatem'; J. Booth (ed.), *Hal-mota Prioratus Dunelmensis*, Surtees Soc. 1886, p. 3, also pp. 1-11, *passim*; see also W. O. Ault (ed.), *Court Rolls of Ramsey*, p. 194. For *conduxerat* see *Select Pleas in Manorial Courts*, i. 21.

<sup>2</sup> *Court Rolls of the Manor of Wakefield*, ii. 81, see above p. xxxviii.

<sup>3</sup> G. C. Homans, *English Villagers*, p. 196. However, the distinction between inherited villein tenancies held in perpetuity and purchased holdings tenable only for lives may be too categorical; cf. Note III below for St. Albans practice. A more plausible distinction is that of tenure for the life of the tenant in cases of holdings received from the lord, and tenures for the life of the lessor in the case of life leases by persons other than the lord.



of some holdings and the building up of others. Students of medieval sources will have no difficulty in citing numerous cases of old holdings and families fading out in this way and new ones emerging to take their place. Several instances of some such transformation by sale will be found in the *Carte navorum*.<sup>1</sup> On the other hand, leases, especially short leases, were passing events not intended to make irrevocable changes in the owner's property. They were, so to speak, current adjustments to the fluctuating circumstances of individuals. And in so far as the purpose of the land market was to provide a mechanism whereby the rigorous system of customary virgates could be fitted to the unstable fortunes of peasant families, the lease was obviously the instrument by which that fitting could best be done.

'Could best be done': the conditional is here employed because the evidence is not sufficient for an indicative categorical. It is, however, sufficient to suggest that among individual customary holders leases may have been the commoner form of transfer. The records, especially the earlier ones, give the impression that villagers did not resort to outright sales except as extreme expedients whereby uneconomic holdings were finally reduced or wound up. I have already cited several instances from Miss Page's study of the Crowland estates in which a series of leases preceded the final liquidation of holdings by sale.<sup>2</sup> Similar cases will also be found in the court rolls of other estates; and if these cases are truly typical, they would make it highly probable that in the history of individual holdings in the twelfth and the thirteenth centuries leases were more frequent and often preceded outright sales.

The possibility that on peasant holdings, considered individually, leases often preceded sales, suggests the yet further hypothesis that some such chronological sequence marked the history of land transactions considered in the aggregate. This particular hypothesis is, of course, of the very vaguest; it may be even more difficult to prove or to disprove than most other hypotheses about private affairs of villagers. Yet if proved it could illuminate so many recesses of social history now dark and forbidding, that it would be well worth exploring as far as our scanty records will take us.

This exploration is still a task awaiting an historian. All it is possible to do here is to indicate very briefly the nature of the argument, and in doing so, to remove some of the presuppositions which have so far inhibited the discussion of the subject. The evidence is of course both scanty and opaque, but it is not altogether absent. To begin with, there is the general impression that the use of short leases for land transfers among villagers (as distinct from the lord's leases to his tenants) is not as common in the records of the late fourteenth and fifteenth centuries as we might expect in view of what historians have told us of the spread of leaseholds in the later Middle Ages. Yet transfers of land by sale were

<sup>1</sup> The most striking examples are noted above, p. xiv. Large holdings could of course be also assembled by a series of short leases: e.g. a tenant in Middlezoy (Thomas) who in the same year covenanted to have half the profits of 18 acres which he leased for three years from Thomas Gydye and also leased 4 acres for three years from another villager, and 5 acres for four years from yet another man: or altogether 27 acres. We do not know whether these leases were renewed three years later, but in the nature of things this could not be an enduring tenancy: Longleat MS. 11250 (Middlezoy).

<sup>2</sup> Above, p. xxxv.

very frequent. If so, it may well be that as the Middle Ages drew to their close, outright sales were becoming more common and leases relatively less so than they had been in the earlier centuries.

This possibility is of course consistent with the other features of the time, and more especially with the general 'upgrading' of smallholders in the fifteenth century. In all the villages for which evidence is available, the numbers of landless men drastically fell and the average holdings of smallholders became considerably larger than they had been in the thirteenth century. Professor Kosminsky has described this transformation in the village of Brampton in Huntingdonshire, and I believe that all other studies of the fifteenth-century countryside will bear Professor Kosminsky out.<sup>1</sup> Some of this upgrading doubtless resulted from occasional amalgamation of vacant holdings and from new opportunities for the enlargement of holdings opened up by the break-up of the demesne. But many a smallholder was able to enlarge his holding not by acquiring portions of erstwhile demesne or by receiving from the lord a larger customary holding, but by buying land from other villagers. These enlargements must not, however, be confused with the action of the land market so far discussed here. Land transfers capable of achieving a permanent reshuffle in the social structure of the countryside and of altering the entire pattern of tenures in customs and surveys were not the current and temporary adjustment to changing individual circumstances which I have treated as a permanent phenomenon of village life. And if leases were the appropriate instrument for the latter, sales were an equally appropriate instrument for the former.

Historians may indeed find it only too easy to accept the hypothesis of wholesale land transfers by sale at the end of the Middle Ages: what they may find more difficult to accept is the countervailing proposition that leases were common in the earlier centuries. For this proposition may appear to run counter to some of our current notions of the antiquity of the leasehold contract. In so far as historians have thought or written about leases—and this they have done very seldom or very briefly—they have been inclined to treat the land lease, and especially the peasant land lease, as a phenomenon characteristic of the period after the Black Death. This inclination colours the whole of Maitland's approach to the problem, and he happens to be one of the few English historians who have approached the problem at all. According to him, tenancies for terms of years (presumably both free and unfree) were rare. 'No doubt in the year 1150 they were still uncommon, and it is not until 1200 that we begin to read much about them.'<sup>2</sup> The logic behind this chronology will not perhaps carry as much weight nowadays as it did in Maitland's time. 'The man who was in quest of land was looking out, not for a profitable investment, but for a home and the means of livelihood.'<sup>2</sup> Were there homes on the innumerable roods and acres whose sales and leases Maitland himself noted in the early court rolls of Ramsey? Are we sure that a husbandman with a home but insufficient livelihood would not wish to supplement the latter by leasing land?

<sup>1</sup> E. A. Kosminsky, 'The Manor of Brampton from the XI to XVI centuries' (Russian), *Srednie Veka*, ii, 1946; cf. also M. Clough, *op. cit.*, ch. 14.

<sup>2</sup> Pollock and Maitland, ii, 106 ff., esp. p. 111.

However, the main difficulty is not about the logic but about the facts. When it comes to facts Maitland may be right in reminding us that we do not read much about leases before 1200. But do we read less about them than we do about other dealings of humbler folk in the twelfth century? Indeed, if the distribution of available evidence is taken into account, the dates of 1150 and 1200 are more likely to appear as landmarks in the volume of surviving documentation than as turning-points in the history of the lease.

In the history of the lease as an institution no such turning-points need be assumed. Abroad the landlord's lease has a continuous and well-documented history. The Roman *locatio* or *conductio*, the Italian *libellus*, the Merovingian and Carolingian *precaria*, the land leases for terms of years in the twelfth, thirteenth, and fourteenth centuries, all range themselves in an almost unbroken sequence.<sup>1</sup> In this century the students of Anglo-Saxon England are also familiar with leases in charters and codes of law. Yet the prevailing tendency is to regard the 200 or 250 years of the Norman and Angevin era until almost as late as the end of the thirteenth century as something of a hiatus and to treat the lease of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries as a new departure.

In reality no such hiatus existed. The manorial 'farms'—and in the twelfth century most manors were farmed away—were leases, and some twelfth-century collections of documents, notably those of St. Paul's and Bury St. Edmunds, contain numerous examples of stock and lease contracts between the landlord and the persons to whom the demesnes were sublet. When and where the 'farmer' happened to be not an individual entrepreneur, but villagers, collectively or individually, the portions of the demesne they took over were presumably held under contracts of the same kind as those of the ordinary demesne farmer. Many villagers holding portions of the demesne frequently appear in records under the name of *firmarii*; and though some of them may have acquired their demesne fields in perpetuity, others obviously held them for a limited period and were nothing else but leaseholders for a term of years or for lives.<sup>2</sup>

This type of contract may have become less rather than more frequent in the thirteenth century, for at that time most landlords resumed the direct management of their demesnes wherever this could still be done. But the landlord leases did not as a result drop out of use. We still find landlords leasing to the villagers pieces of assarted land and portions of demesne fields; above all, we find everywhere short leases of meadows

<sup>1</sup> Maitland's notions about *precaria* and their general conversion into *beneficia* and fiefs are mostly derived from that standby of English legal historians, Brunner's *Deutsche Rechtsgeschichte*; yet Brunner discusses *precaria* for terms of years (vol. i, 2nd ed., Leipzig, 1906, pp. 304 ff.). For *precaria* in general see below, Additional Note IV.

<sup>2</sup> W. H. Hale (ed.), *Domesday of St. Paul's*, Camden Soc. lxxix (1858), 122-39; Bury St. Edmund's register in Cambridge University Library MS. Mm. 4. 19, ff. 80, 80<sup>v</sup>, 81, 144<sup>v</sup>, 168, 223, &c. The best-known cases of villein *firmarii* will be found on the estates of the bishops of Durham (see references in M. Postan, *Trans. Royal Hist. Soc.*, 4th ser. xx (1937), 177-8) and Worcester Priory (H. R. Luard (ed.), *Annales Prioratus de Wigornia, Annales Monastici* (Rolls Series), iv (1869), 419). In this case the farming of Shipston by the villagers probably goes back many years beyond 1227. Cf. also *ibid.*, p. 425. Another well-known instance is that of Grittleton on the Glastonbury estates. The most remarkable instance, however, will be found in the little cited case of three manors of St. Swithin's Priory in Hampshire, farmed by villagers for at least forty years in the twelfth and very early thirteenth centuries, *Bracton's Note Book*, iii, no. 1237.

and pastures.<sup>1</sup> Now and again the records mention leases of customary land which the lords relet to villeins at money rent for lives or a term of years. A sudden outcrop of such lettings might appear all of a sudden on any estate in which the landlords happened to be badly in need of cash and were prepared to convert customary tenures into leases in consideration of lump sums down. Recently one or two historians, more especially Mr. R. H. Hilton, have drawn our attention to the thirteenth-century documents recording these contracts between lords and villeins in the second half of the thirteenth century.<sup>2</sup>

These are not of course the leases in which we are interested. They are landlords' leases, contracts between the lords and their tenants, whereas we are concerned with the 'inter-peasant' transactions between one villager and another. Yet the prevalence of lord's leases of every kind is evidence that the leasehold itself had a continuous history; that it was well known to the medieval villagers; and that from this point of view, there would be nothing unusual or strange in their frequent employment by villagers in the twelfth and early thirteenth centuries, which I have assumed throughout this essay.

On this point the evidence though unambiguous is not, of course, voluminous, since the documents of that date which could be expected to refer to inter-peasant leases are very few. But such documents as we possess abound with relevant references; and among them we find leases, both long and short, for terms of years, or for one year only, mainly for rent but sometimes on *champart*: *per campi partem*.<sup>3</sup> In the early proceedings in the king's courts at the very beginning of the thirteenth century, leases are frequently invoked to bar tenants' claims to ownership or are brought up when they happen to be involved with the claims of heirs and widows. But countless other leases could have been taken up, renewed, or allowed to run out without coming into conflict with other men's titles and thus failing to leave a trace in our records. Some leases were not recorded in manorial court rolls because they had been removed from the lord's control. I have already mentioned that on the estates of the abbot of St. Albans the lord conceded that leases for two

<sup>1</sup> These are too numerous to cite. There is hardly a thirteenth-century bailiff's account without some landlord leases. In early years these are most frequently annual leases of meadow or pastures, though leases of arable or colonizable waste also occur.

<sup>2</sup> R. H. Hilton, *Univ. of Birmingham Hist. Journ.* iv (1953-4), 8 ff.

<sup>3</sup> A mid-twelfth-century reference to a possible lease will be found in an Abingdon charter: M. M. Bigelow (ed.), *Placita Anglo-Normannica* (London, 1879), p. 111 (lands 'quas Modbertus dedit vel praestitit'). The largest extant collection of early leases will be found in Bracton's Note-Book, where at least forty cases of leases for terms of years are noted. Nearly all these cases came before the courts in the 20's and early 30's of the thirteenth century, but many related or claimed to relate to leases granted in the previous generation and even earlier, e.g. *Bracton's Note Book*, ii, nos. 57, 663, iii, nos. 1224, 1470, 1490, 1619, 1735, 1750, also ii, nos. 183, 451, 607, 658; iii, nos. 1258, 1304, 1419, 1768, 1769, 1869. In the first eight instances cited here a late twelfth-century lease is either alleged, or can be deduced with reasonable probability from the circumstances. For other instances of leases, which are mainly inter-peasant, see *Court Rolls of Hales*, iii, 11, 52-53, 75, 77, 101, 103, 105, 109, 138, 140-1, 145; *Court Roll of Chalgrave Manor*, pp. 14-15; *Court Rolls of St. Albans in Levett, Studies*, pp. 301, 312 and in B.M. MSS. listed above, p. xlviii n.; *Glastonbury Court Rolls*, *passim*, e.g. Longleat MSS. 11254/3 (Brent); *Select Pleas in Manorial Courts*, i, 21, 28, 36; W. O. Ault (ed.), *Court Rolls of Ramsey*, pp. 189, 194; *Curia Regis Rolls*, i, 86, 103, 109, 403; ii, 14; iii, 299-300; iv, 65, 221-2; v, 258; vii, 108; viii, 187, 338; ix, 109; *Halmota Prioratus Dunelmensis*, pp. 1-11. Among these leases, *métayage* and other forms of *champart* are more frequent than the rarity of *champart* leases in later ages would lead us to expect. Leases *ad camp partem*, *ad seminandum*, *ad medietatem*, or *pro media vestura* are to be found on all manors cited here: e.g. *Halmota Prioratus Dunelmensis*, pp. 1-5; St. Albans Court Rolls in Levett, *op. cit.*, p. 312; and *The Court Baron*, p. 104.

years and less could be granted without his licence; and this presumably also covered leases renewable at two-yearly intervals.<sup>1</sup>

Yet in spite of all the reasons why peasant leases should have bypassed our records, references to them are very numerous. Perhaps one of the reasons why they escaped the notice of historians is that in terminology, and sometimes in substance, they can be confused with other transactions and especially with mortgages. Under the so-called beneficiary leases accompanying a loan of money the creditor became a lessee and thereby obtained not only the security for his loan but also payment of principal and interest out of the land's income. The records have also preserved cases of leases, which though not beneficiary in the strict sense of the term, were nevertheless accompanied by loans, as in the case before the royal justices in 1201 concerning a lease for thirty-five years for an annual rent of 6*d.* per annum as well as a loan of 15 marks.<sup>2</sup>

An insight into the circumstances of these transactions is often required before loan and mortgage could be differentiated from a contract of real or 'husbandman's' lease. Unfortunately, a learned editor of some of the earliest rolls has not made this differentiation any easier by having decided, perhaps justifiably, to adhere to the literal sense of the judicial terminology, and to render as 'gage' the term 'baille', which Anglo-Norman lawyers frequently employed to designate leases for terms of years, and which still is the modern French term for leasehold.<sup>3</sup> That in most of these cases leases were in fact meant is shown not only by the context but also by the discussion of leases and the terms employed in legal manuals and treatises, including Bracton's *Note Book*. The attention which these books give to the problems of leases is, of course, in itself evidence of the great part leases played in the English countryside of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries.<sup>4</sup> And it may perhaps be argued, *pace* Maitland, that the leases would not have been employed

<sup>1</sup> Above, p. xlii. Miss Levett's reference to this rule may give the impression that the concession came later than it did: the rule appeared to be well established by the last quarter of the thirteenth century. B.M. Stowe MS. 849, f. 12v: 'Quare dimisit terram suam ad terminum ultra spatium duorum annorum.'

<sup>2</sup> *Curia Regis Rolls*, ii. 88-89. A similar case occurred in 1204, when the land was held 'at farm', but the farm was secured by a loan, *ibid.* iii. 166; cf. also viii. 376.

<sup>3</sup> D. M. Stenton (ed.), *Pleas before the King or his Justices. 1198-1202*, i, Selden Soc. 67, pp. 362 (no. 3487), 380-1 (no. 3506), 406 (no. 3538). The editor of the *Pleas*, &c. herself occasionally translates *inuadio* as lease: *ibid.*, p. 363. There is little doubt that in a large number of these cases *inuadiamentum* referred to leases unaccompanied by loan, or in Maitland's terminology, 'husbandmen's leases'. Sometimes the clerks responsible for the Rolls used the term *inuadiavit* and the more unambiguous terms, such as *tradidit ad firmam*, interchangeably in the same entries, e.g. *Curia Regis Rolls*, viii. 376. Cases in which *inuadiavit* apparently describes leases will be found in *Curia Regis Rolls*, ii. 14, 88, 184, iii. 299-300; vii. 108, viii. 63, 97. For the medieval use of the term *baille* to designate leases see W. H. Dunham (ed.), *Casus Placitorum*, Selden Soc. lxxix (1952), pp. 28 (no. 81), 32 (no. 6). In the latter case the clerk uses the expressions *baille a un autre*, and *luy lessa a terme* interchangeably.

<sup>4</sup> Bracton's twelfth-century predecessors, represented by Glanvill, treated the lease as a loan regulated by private agreements in which the king was not concerned: G. E. Woodbine (ed.), *Glanvill de legibus et consuetudinibus regni Angliae* (New Haven, 1932), pp. 137-9, 145. The existence of leases is, however, clearly implied in all references to *locatio-conductio* and *commodatio*. Thus 'sed quid si conductor census suum statuto termino non solverit?' (*ibid.*, p. 145); or '... sed per ipsum tenentem vel per aliquem antecessorum eius, veluti in vadium vel ex commodatione...' (*ibid.*, p. 162), also *ibid.*, pp. 142-3. Bracton's references to leases for terms of years or for lives are too numerous to be listed, especially in the books *De Assisa Nova Disseisiniae* and *De acquirendo Rerum Dominio*, e.g. pp. 183-4 (*De locato et conducto*) and p. 161 ('*Si firmarius...*') in vol. ii of G. E. Woodbine's edition, p. 69 in vol. iii, and especially pp. 21-30 and 42-43 in vol. iv. See also *Casus Placitorum*, pp. 28 (no. 81), 41 (no. 83), lxxxiii (no. 73), lxxix-lxxx (no. 39), lxxxii (no. 50), lxxxiii (no. 67); W. H. Dunham (ed.), *Radulphi de Hengham Summae* (Cambridge, 1932), pp. 63-65.

as a cloak for interest had they not been a familiar arrangement commonly employed for purposes unconnected with loans and usury.

So much for the evidence of judicial records. Evidence of short leases at an early period can also be read into references to 'agreements' in the earliest surviving bailiff's accounts and manorial court rolls. These references will often be found among entries of 'licence to agree', *licentia concordandi*: a familiar entry in manorial documents. Licenced agreements did not of course refer to leases only. They were as a rule related to amicable settlements of disputes which had come before the courts and were, so to speak, a manorial counterpart of the 'final concords' in the records of royal courts. But in those cases in which the manorial record happens to reveal the contents of the licenced agreements, their subject frequently turns out to be the lease of land.<sup>1</sup>

Historians must thus assume that the leasehold contract was familiar to the villagers of the thirteenth and the late twelfth centuries, and was commonly employed in their dealings with each other. If so, the chronological sequence of leases and sales which I have suggested here does not run against any fundamental obstacle of fact or principle. All we need is a further study of the evidence; and this let us hope will not be long in coming.

## V

Some of these changes and variations—the expansion in the village land market in the late fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, regional and local variations in the turnover in peasant land, the prevalence of leases—all these are propositions well supported by evidence. Others, and above all that of the chronological relation between leases and sales, are hypothetical in the extreme. But whether they are borne out by subsequent researches or not, they will not affect our main conclusion that the village land market functioned throughout the centuries for which evidence is available: certainly during the thirteenth and the late twelfth centuries, possibly earlier. If this conclusion is accepted, historians will have to draw a number of conclusions. The conclusions may prove uncomfortable because they make it more difficult to take some of our most important sources at their face value, and may compel us to modify some of the distinctions both regional and chronological which have become part and parcel of the accepted version of medieval social

<sup>1</sup> For *licentia concordandi* in Glastonbury Court Rolls, see Longleat MSS. 10654 (Middlezoy), 11254/3 (Badbury), &c. For covenants relating to inter-peasant transfers on St. Albans estates, see Additional Note III below. Personal contracts to sell doubtless preceded more formal stages of transfer, e.g. Longleat 1155, 10654, Glastonbury: Henry Herring surrenders his land to the lord *ad opus* of William Sannery 'per quamdam convencionem inter eos factam'. These 'covenants', when legitimized by fine, would not, however, be as a rule recorded as *licentia concordandi*. For cases in which the records happen to disclose the lease implied in the licensed agreement, see: Longleat MSS. 11254/3 (Middlezoy: Alexander Clericus), *ibid.* (Baltonsborough); *ibid.* 10654 (Middlezoy: William Thomyn), &c.; and above all in the remarkable chain of licensed agreements covering two generations of tenants in *ibid.* 11254/3 (Badbury: Thos. Seriaunt and others). Cases in which the substance of the agreements is disclosed as concerned with land will also be found elsewhere. Thus '... in misericordia pro eo quod fecerunt conventionem de tenemento extra curiam quia sunt nativi': J. Amphlett and S. G. Hamilton (ed.), *Court Rolls of the Manor of Hales, 1272-1307*, ii (Worce. Hist. Soc., 1912), 407-8. In another case a villager is found by the jury 'quod convenit cum Matilda filia Nicholai de una dimidia acra terre sibi ad terminum annorum dimittenda. Ideo preceptum est quod teneat hujusmodi convencionem inter eos factam...': *Select Pleas in Manorial Courts*, i. 36.

history. A detailed discussion of these rearrangements would be out of place here, but as a warning and as an anticipation I must permit myself to indicate, however briefly, the points at which the existence of a village land market impinges upon the problems of rural England in the Middle Ages.

In the first place, historians, looking for evidence of population or of actual occupation of land, cannot use for these purposes the lists of tenants and tenancies in manorial extents unless and until they have satisfied themselves that the local practice of the manorial administrators enabled the extents accurately to reflect the economic and demographic changes. This they by no means always did. To repeat what has already been said here more than once, the extents were concerned with the lord's rights and entitlements; they confined their lists to the lord's tenants and were therefore inclined to pass over in silence the villagers who held of other men. In places and in periods in which the lord did not require formal surrenders, the pattern of actual economic occupation of land might diverge very widely from that of official tenancies. If so, the extents are not as a rule a reliable guide to population; and even when admissible as evidence of population (as they may be when they happen to record sales of land and mention tenants by name) they must be ruled out as evidence for the number of acres which each household in fact cultivated in any given year.<sup>1</sup>

If this limitation of the evidence is borne in mind the picture of the medieval village as largely made up of virgates and semi-virgates will have to be greatly modified, if not given up altogether. The virgated patterns of holdings, stable, regular, and symmetrical, have already suffered greatly at the hands of historians who have noticed in the extents and surveys the non-virgated bits of land in the hands of villeins and also discovered places and whole regions in which the regular pattern of holdings had altogether disappeared if it ever existed. We may now have to go a step farther and admit that even in places for which surveys and extents still exhibit the virgated pattern in all its stability and symmetry, the actual occupation of land by families may have been both unstable and unsymmetrical. If it does not look like that in some of our extents, this may be merely because on some estates short leases and unrecorded sales were not able to influence official appearances.

From this it would naturally follow that the two best-known deviations from the conventional pattern of village society—that of the non-manorialized parts of England all through the Middle Ages and that of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries all over England—may in fact have been not as great as they appear in our documents. For it is quite possible that at least some of the differences in the composition of the villages in, say, the non-manorialized parts of the Danelaw on the one hand, and the manorialized parts of the midlands on the other, loom greater in our documents than they may have done in life. Where

<sup>1</sup> Professor Kosminsky, though aware of the inability of the extents and the extent-like Hundred Rolls to record leases and informal sales, justifies his reliance on this evidence by the argument that the informal transactions merely accentuated the process of 'social differentiation' which the extents exhibit: *op. cit.*, pp. 212-13. &c. The evidence available to us suggests that the effect of the land market was much more variable and irregular. It was able to level off the differences in official tenures as well as to accentuate them.

sokemen and freeholders predominated and the manorial hand lay lightly on the land, the transfer of property and its effect upon the occupation of the soil could be, so to speak, patent, i.e. it could find expression in tenurial titles and in documents recording them. On the other hand, in parts of England where holdings were mainly customary, but where, nevertheless, the rules of transfer by surrender were not strictly enforced, the effects of the land market remained hidden and were unable to disturb the visible pattern of tenurial relations. In these parts of England—to use an expression familiar to modern historians in an entirely different context—the *pays réel* was not always or necessarily the *pays légal*; and we must guard ourselves from contrasting the ‘real’ England of the Danelaw with the ‘legal’ England of Somerset.

The same may apply also, *pari passu*, to the contrast between the later Middle Ages and the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. Social history never ceased; fundamental economic transformations were taking place all the time, and to some of the changes I have drawn attention here. Yet the same reason for which the real changes in the occupation of land were visible best in the non-manorialized regions may also have been the reason why in the fifteenth century, when manorial restraints had nearly all gone, the documents were better able to reveal changes in ownership and in patterns of tenure than they would have done in the earlier centuries. If so, much of what historians have reported as signs of social transformation may to some extent be an optical illusion: a mere change in the ability of our sources to reflect the facts of life.



## ADDITIONAL NOTES

### 1. *The Surveys in the Black Book*

THE Black Book of Peterborough (Society of Antiquaries, MS. 60; our 'N') contains between ff. 181 and 207 (old foliation 178-204) a series of surveys for a number of abbey manors. In form they are all much alike, but they are written in two distinct hands and fall into two separate groups. One hand (scribe B) wrote ff. 181-95, another (scribe A) ff. 198-207. Each section contains some later additions, the most noticeable being the writing on f. 197<sup>r-v</sup>, which appears to be an addition to the second group made in a hand similar in character to scribe B. Later—and irrelevant—additions appear on ff. 195<sup>v</sup>, 200<sup>(foot)-v</sup>, and 207<sup>v</sup>; f. 196<sup>r-v</sup> is blank. Of the two hands, A is earlier in character; they could possibly be contemporary, but while A would normally be ascribed to the second quarter of the thirteenth century, B more naturally belongs to the third quarter.

The first group contains surveys for the abbot's manors in the immediate neighbourhood of Peterborough: Peterborough itself and Dogsthorpe (ff. 181-3), Longthorpe (ff. 183<sup>v</sup>-184<sup>v</sup>), Eye (f. 185<sup>r-v</sup>), Castor (ff. 186-187<sup>v</sup>), Walton (ff. 188-9), Werrington (ff. 189<sup>v</sup>-191<sup>v</sup>), Paston (191<sup>v</sup>-192), Glington and Peakirk (ff. 192-5). The second group deals with various properties mainly in Lincolnshire: Walcot (see below, nos. 475 ff.: f. 198<sup>r-v</sup>), Scotter (ff. 199-200; a list of villeins, &c. from Scotter, apparently of the same date, has been added on the blank leaf before Walcot, f. 197<sup>r-v</sup>; cf. note to no. 460), Fiskerton, Reepham, Sudbrooke, and Scothern (ff. 201-4<sup>v</sup>), Collingham (Notts., and its hamlets, ff. 205-206<sup>v</sup>), Thurlby (Lincs., f. 207). Each group is self-contained—the first in two quires, the second in one (ff. 197 and 208 may have been additions); and each was copied down piecemeal, with plenty of space left for extra material. Sometimes the space left was too meagre, usually too generous. There is in the Swaffham Register (Peterborough, Dean and Chapter, MS. 1, ff. cxl-cxv) a copy of these Surveys, without breaks and evidently a tidy version of the Black Book text. It is clear that what we have in the Black Book are fair copies taken off the original notes of the Surveys, not copies of a fair copy; and it is reasonable to suppose that the copies were taken soon after the Surveys were made. The second group opens with the heading: 'Hec inquisitio facta fuit per maneria, domini Martini abbatis secundi anno quinto, anno ab incarnatione Domini millesimo ducesimo tricesimo primo. In Walcot' super Humbram. . . . There is no reason to doubt that this heading refers to all the Surveys which follow, and which may therefore be dated 1231. There are references to Abbot Benedict (1177-93) at Fiskerton (f. 201<sup>v</sup>) and Abbots Robert (1214-22) and Alexander (1222-6) at Reepham (f. 203). The latter suggests a date not long after 1226; as also a mention (also at Reepham, ff. 202<sup>v</sup>-3) of 'Robertus predicator', the Robert le Sermonour of nos. 517, 534 (1214-22, 1222-6). No. 534 is the charter of Abbot Robert to which the Survey refers.

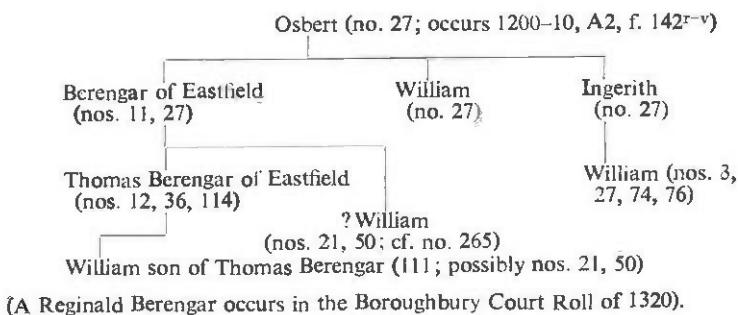
The first group, written by scribe B, is more difficult to date. There is a reference on f. 183<sup>v</sup> to some land freed by Abbot Andrew (1194-9); on f. 181 to a charter of Abbot Robert (presumably of Lindsey, 1214-22); on ff. 193<sup>v</sup> and 195 to land sold to Abbot Martin, and to land held 'per traditionem domini M. abbatis', 'ad uoluntatem domini M. abbatis per traditionem eius' (i.e. Abbot Martin, 1226-33); on f. 193<sup>v</sup> to land bought by the current tenant 'a domino Waltero de Preston', who died in 1230 (P, pp. 140-1 n.; W. Farrer, *Honors and Knights' Fees*, i. 96-97). On f. 192, indeed, there are references to an event 'anno Roberti abbatis xj', which must mean 1273-4, and 'ex antiqua concessione Walteri abbatis' (abbot 1233-45)—but these entries are certainly in a later hand than scribe B, and must be an addition (they are not in the copy in Swa). The body of the Surveys in this group, on the evidence of these details, can be dated later than 1226, but can hardly be as much as a generation later than 1230. They can be dated provisionally c. 1230-60; and a reference to the fee of Hugh of Barnack places them before 1254 (f. 193<sup>v</sup>; cf. P, p. 124 n.).

On f. 193<sup>v</sup>, under Peakirk, occurs the following entry: 'Dominus Rogerus de Helpiston tenet quoddam pratum quod uocatur Painisholm pro ijs. ad liij terminos.' Roger's predecessor, Payne, was still alive in 1227 (P, p. 148 n.—but this entry needs some correction; see below); he himself occurs c. 1236 (P, p. 148, cf. p. xlii; Swa, f. cclxxxvj) and surrendered the meadow to the abbey between 1233 and 1245 (Pc, f. 150, Swa, f. ccxviii<sup>v</sup>); his successor occurs in 1243 (Swa, f. cclxxxiiij<sup>v</sup>, P, p. 149 n.). This entry confines the Glington Survey—and so, by implication, the first group as a whole—to 1227-43, or approximately c. 1230-40. Furthermore, Richard Folesank of Werrington (f. 189<sup>v</sup>) occurs with his son in the period c. 1227-36; and his grandson John before 1245 (see note to no. 247). It is not impossible that this group, like the other, belongs to 1231, or at any rate to the later years of Abbot Martin (died 1233), and such a view is supported by the close similarity in form between the two groups. But the handwriting of scribe B remains a trifle puzzling, and it may be that the first group dates from the abbacy of Walter of St. Edmund (1233-45), and is up to a decade later than the second.

Once dated the Surveys provide an invaluable check on the dates of the charters in the *Carte nativorum*. Their evidence has to be used with caution, because it is difficult to be sure that one's identifications are accurate; but so far as the evidence allows comparison, it helps to confirm both the dates given to the Surveys and the other evidence for the date of the *Carte*. Some details suggest a later rather than an earlier date for the first group of Surveys; but the balance of probability seems in favour of c. 1231.

Names which occur both in the *Carte nativorum* and Surveys, are marked with an N in the Index, with the number of the folio on which they occur, and a note of their status, if shown in the Survey. These references are not meant to indicate certain identifications: only the more unlikely ones have been given a query. The following are (A) a few examples to illustrate the way in which Surveys and charters fit together, and (B) a few cases in which identification presents insoluble difficulties.

A. 1. Berengar of Eastfield occurs in the Surveys as tenant of 1 toft and 2 acres (at 3s. rent, doubled for relief: f. 182). From the charters the following pedigree may be deduced:



Not all the details of this pedigree are certain; but its main lines seem highly probable. William, Berengar's grandson (no. 111), is mentioned ? c. 1295-9. This fits with c. 1230 as the *floruit* of Berengar. For another Eastfield pedigree, see note to no. 3.

2. William son of Solomon occurs as a Franklin in Werrington (f. 190), holding 2 virgates (for 13d.) and 'culturam Baconis' (Bacon's furlong) for 5s. He may be the same as the William Saleman or Salamon who occurs in charters of 1250-63 (nos. 523-4, 529), and is almost certainly the William son of Solomon who occurs frequently in the *Carte nativorum*. A man who appears now as Solomon, now as Solomon son of William, now as Solomon son of William son of Solomon of Werrington (no. 198), was evidently his son and successor. This entry in the Survey combines with other evidence to date William son of Solomon's occurrences to the mid thirteenth century, his son's to the second half of the century (no. 243, repeated in 255, in both of which William is mentioned, seems to belong approximately to the third quarter of the century; but it is not certain if he was alive when the charter was drawn up). Brother William Salamon, monk (occurs as sacrist in 1299, without title 1306, F, pp. 119-20, V2, f. 49<sup>v</sup>), and the Michael Salamon of no. 551 may also belong to this family; cf. also no. 510.

3. Among the sokemen of Peakirk (f. 192<sup>v</sup>) appear Geoffrey son of Helewise (also f. 194), whose sons survived till a little after 1290 (see note to no. 289; and cf. no. 315) and Reginald Herice, whose son probably died shortly before 1290 (see note to no. 277). Geoffrey's family and Michael le Herice occur frequently in the charters.

4. Martinus *mercator* appears among the villeins of Scotter, holding 1 bovat at farm (i.e. he may not himself have been a villein) (f. 197); he is presumably the Martin, merchant, of nos. 451 and 455. No. 455 is dated 1256-7, which might suggest a date somewhat later than 1231 for the first Scotter Survey. (For his family, see note to no. 459.)

5. Robert son of Wibalda (Wibold) also appears among the Scotter villeins (f. 197), as the tenant of 2 bovates; his son was a clerk and accumulated quite a bit of property, which was granted away on 2 January 1285, shortly after Hugh's death (see note to no. 445).

B. 1. Two men in the Werrington Survey, Robert Loue (Luue) and Richard Griffin (f. 190) apparently had sons of the same name, so that identification is rendered very difficult (see notes to nos. 194, 214).

2. Three men called Robert Peverel appear in this volume: one, a knight, in the twelfth century (513, 514), the other two in the mid thirteenth (see no. 194). Presumably the Robert Peverel of the Survey (f. 191<sup>v</sup>) is Robert II, the Robert of late-thirteenth-century charters Robert III; but in most of the numerous charters in which the name occurs, he cannot be certainly identified. References to Robert Peverels are very frequent in other sources between 1211 and 1296 (P, p. 123 n., Pc, f. 103, F, pp. 81-82, 88-89, 46, &c.). (John Peverel

occurs in 1299 (F, pp. 83-84, 97) and 1317 (V2, f. 117<sup>v</sup>); he apparently died in 1349 (P, p. 123 n.). Cf. also Henry Peverel in nos. 85-87, &c.)

3. William atte Green held in the Peterborough Survey (f. 181<sup>v</sup>) a toft by his house (rent 12*d.*) and a meadow in Padinholt (2*d.*); he also occurs 1226-33 (Pc, f. 166<sup>r-v</sup>). But he can hardly be the William atte Green who occurs frequently in the charters, because most of the charters seem to belong to the latter part of the century, and one can be dated 1295-9 (no. 112). William seems to have had a predecessor Thomas in the middle of the century (see note to no. 7); and so it is possible that he was the grandson of the William of the Survey, or stood in some similar relation to him.

## II. *Subtenants on Some Manors of the Bishops of Winchester*

IN general, transfers of land among the bishop's tenants were by sub-letting under informal licence, or to use the terminology of feudal studies, by subinfeudation, rather than by substitution. On this, as on other estates, the latter method, involving surrender of land by the seller and its regrant by the lord, becomes more prominent in the records of the fourteenth century. Throughout the thirteenth century, and even the early fourteenth, the visible pattern of customary tenancies remained remarkably stable, and the student is left with the clear impression that real changes were taking place, so to speak, under the surface, by means of informal sales and leases. How stable the virgated pattern was is revealed by the comparison of the customary holdings in the surviving mid-thirteenth-century set of surveys (B.M. MS. Egerton 2418) with the lists of customary tenants liable to service in the bailiffs' accounts of the late thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. On a few manors the stability is probably real. Thus on the 'colonizing' manors of the bishop—such as Witney in the Oxfordshire fringe of the Cotswolds, or Wargrave, with its large woodlands above the Thames valley—much new arable was being carved out of the waste throughout the century, and it is probable that out of this arable the demand for new holdings was met. The absence of any sign of sub-letting on these manors need not therefore cause any surprise. But on the other manors in the anciently settled regions on which reclaimable lands had nearly all been taken up—e.g. Fareham or Bishop's Waltham—the signs of sub-letting in bailiffs' accounts and in surveys are more abundant; in some of these manors the process left its mark even on the surveys, presumably because some of the transfers went through the formality of 'surrender', or were otherwise supervised by the officials. This appears to apply especially to Bishop's Waltham, which, in addition to being an anciently and fully settled village, was also a 'headquarters' manor and a place of residence of the bishop's officials. It would not be too unreal to suppose that the failure to go through the formality of 'surrender' was due to laxity of manorial control, and the control would be less lax at Waltham than elsewhere.

Whatever the explanation, a large number of sub-let or subdivided holdings appear in the survey of Bishop's Waltham in the B.M. collection of 1260. At that date we find signs of alienation on fourteen customary holdings—those of Richard Coldusk de Caldecote, Richard le Cornmonger, Richard Everard, William Frogge, Walter de Combe, Henry Cok, Robert Strong, William Seylde, Henry Parmentier, Germanus de Waltham, Thomas Fysace, Henry Cupere, Adam Cutte, Walter Frankelain. It appears that in a few of these cases the holders of alienated portions held directly of the lord. Presumably the alienations had gone through the hands of the lord, probably by surrender. On most of the holdings, however, it had been carried out by a more informal process and created sub-tenancies. The difference is probably reflected by the form of words used, and also in the amount of rent paid. Thus, a new holding established on Walter de la Combe's land pays a substantial rent to the lord (5*s.*), and the holder is described as holding land 'ex terra Walteri de Combe etc.'; or as in a similar case, that of Thomas Fysace, as land 'que fuit Roberti Curtis'. In the third case, which may also be one of surrender, we are told that the tenant, Henry Parmentier, now pays for his holding 2*s.* 9*d.*, and no more, because the other men pay to the lord 4*s.* 10*d.* for portions of the holding.

These cases, however, are very few—not more than three out of the fifteen. In the remaining twelve cases the rents payable to the lord are very small—a few pennies—and are out of proportion to the areas of the holdings. Some are described as no more than 'increments' of the rent; the substantive rent is still payable by the main tenant. In nearly all of them the holders of portions of the land are said to hold 'of' (de) the main holder. In at least three instances the sub-tenants are not even mentioned by name. Thus in the case of Richard Everard's virgate holding we are merely told that 'tenentes de eadem terra debent pannagium si habeant porcos'; in the case of Henry Cok's half-virgate we are merely told that his *socius* performs no services to the lord; and in the case of Robert Strong's holding, we are told that he owed *auxilium* for one Scutt, 'qui est suus landymake'.

### III. Land Transfers on the Estates of the Abbey of St Albans

THE land traffic on the St. Albans estates has been briefly described and documented by Miss Levett. The evidence must be used with caution as the fifteenth-century text available to us is not a full transcript of the court rolls, but a selection of what presumably were from the compiler's point of view the more important cases. This, however, makes the absence or rarity of certain types of entry in the earlier folios, and their appearance or proliferation in the later, all the more interesting. Judging from the late appearance of entries recording transfers by formal process, it would seem that on most St. Albans estates the transfers in the earlier part of the thirteenth century, i.e. until the beginning of Edward I's reign, were by informal licence. This as a rule takes the form not only of the *licentia dimittendi* to the seller, but also the *licentia accipiendi* to the buyer; and the presumption is that when a transaction is accompanied by two licences, both the seller and the buyer were the abbot's tenants: e.g. B.M. Stowe 849 (Codicote), ff. 1, 1<sup>v</sup>, 2, &c. up to f. 15; or Add. 6057 (Croxley), all folios. Some of these informal transfers—certainly most of the leases—are transacted by covenants between the parties, and the court rolls merely record the fine '*pro conventionem affirmandi*' (Stowe 849, f. 3—John de Ravensack and others; f. 3<sup>v</sup>). Fines for illegal transfer are nearly all for alienation without licences (ibid., f. 3, &c.); fines for alienation contrary to prohibition (*contra defensionem*) begin to appear much later. One of the earliest is dated 51 Henry III (ibid., f. 9<sup>v</sup>: Eleanora filia Walteri). In Codicote the surrenders of land *ad opus* of buyers appear some eight years after the commencement of the series, i.e. in 1245 (ibid., ff. 2<sup>v</sup> and 3), but do not become regular until the late 1260's and 1270's. The first clear case of substitution is dated 42 Henry III ('Henry de Cokeheath positus est in seina de duabus acris terre et dimidia de uenditione Thome Whitelock': ibid.). In Croxley surrenders do not become at all general until the 1280's.

Two further points may be worth noting. Firstly, on St. Albans estates inter-tenant sales of land did not necessarily limit the title of the buyer to one life (e.g. Stowe 849, f. 2: *licentia accipiendi* of the holding sold in perpetuity: '*sibi et heredibus suis*'). Secondly, a number of licences are accompanied by a clause obliging the buyer not to assign the land to the Church or to the Jews, and sometimes also add that he should not alienate the lord's right in the land ('*nec aliquo modo alienabit iura domini abbatis*'; e.g. ibid., f. 3).

### IV. Leases Abroad

ABROAD the study of leases is made difficult by the almost total absence of evidence on inter-peasant dealings, and by the exclusive dependence of scholars on the monastic cartularies, and especially the collections of *traditiones*. The discussion is thus confined to 'landlord tenancies' on monastic estates. Even so, the existence of leases, i.e. non-perpetual tenancies in usufruct for rent throughout the Middle Ages does not appear in doubt and is generally accepted. Doubt attaches only to the history of the short lease (*Zeitpacht*, *baillie à terme*). In Italy, both the short lease in the form of *libellus* and the lease for life or lives in the form of *precaria* appear to have had an uninterrupted history throughout the early Middle Ages, i.e. from the sixth century to the thirteenth.<sup>1</sup> This is apparently how Brunner in his all too brief references to leases represented the position in the early centuries, i.e. before the tenth, all over Europe. He lists contracts of *precaria* at will, for terms of years and for lives, and mentions monastic *precaria* renewable at intervals of five, ten, or fifteen years.<sup>2</sup> This, however, is not quite the unanimous view of the German lease. Inama-Sternegg, the most authoritative codifier of orthodox notions, saw the germs of *champart* lease in certain practices of the Carolingian age, but in general appeared to be certain that neither *champart* nor any comparable form of short lease made its appearance until considerably later, i.e. until the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, when they began to spread rapidly.<sup>3</sup> A. Dopsch showed that various types of *champart* were a well-established form of rent in Carolingian times,<sup>4</sup> but this by itself cannot be taken as clear evidence of short leases. The view which appears to prevail, as expressed by von Below,<sup>5</sup> is that although *Zeitpacht* did not become common until the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, it was to be found even in the Merovingian and Carolingian ages.

<sup>1</sup> L. Hartmann, *Zur Wirtschaftsgeschichte Italiens im frühen Mittelalter* (1904); F. Schupfer, 'Precarie e livelli nei documenti e nelle leggi dell'alto medio evo', *Riv. italiana per le scienze giuridiche*, xl (1905).

<sup>2</sup> H. Brunner, *Deutsche Rechtsgeschichte*, i (2nd ed., 1906), 304 ff.

<sup>3</sup> *Deutsche Wirtschaftsgeschichte*, i (Leipzig, 1879), p. 366, and ii (1891), 350; and K. Lamprecht, *Deutsches Wirtschaftsleben im Mittelalter*, ii, pt. 2 (1885), 750; but cf. G. v. Below, *Probleme der Wirtschaftsgeschichte* (1926), pp. 46-47.

<sup>4</sup> *Wirtschaftsentwicklung der Karolingerzeit*, i (1912), 276 ff.

<sup>5</sup> Loc. cit.

A chronology of the short lease similar to Inama-Sternegg's was proposed for France by Sée.<sup>1</sup> More recently L. Genicot has emphasized that in the Namurois the lease (*bail*) for a term of years was little developed until the end of the Middle Ages; and A. Déléage has similarly argued the absence in Burgundy in the ninth and tenth centuries of the *contrât à termes* analogous to the Italian *libellus*.<sup>2</sup>

In considering this chronology it is important to bear in mind the intentional neglect of short-term contracts by the compilers of monastic cartularies.<sup>3</sup> Among the long-term contracts recorded in them, life leases are very common. In the Merovingian and Carolingian epoch these were represented by the various contracts of *precaria* or *prestancia*. The form of *precaria* which the monastic documents preserved very fully are the *precaria remuneratoria* and other similar arrangements by which tenants rented for a term of life or lives from the lord the land they themselves had previously 'donated' to the monastery and to which sometimes the monastery attached an additional holding.<sup>4</sup> There is clear evidence of such life leases created by the contract of *precaria* in the ninth-century estates of St. Germain des Prés.<sup>5</sup> For Burgundy in the ninth, tenth, and eleventh centuries Déléage has listed leases for lives instituted by contract of *precaria*, including *champart* leases.<sup>6</sup> The same has been done for Germany by most historians, including the editors and students of the main monastic collections.<sup>7</sup>

It is possible that many of the erstwhile *precaria* had by the twelfth and the thirteenth centuries developed into heritable tenements, and thereby swelled the ranks of the numerous class of rent-paying customary tenancies (*censuarii*, &c.).<sup>8</sup> By this time, however, the recorded instances of the temporary lease (*Zeitpacht*) begin to accumulate. If the distribution of evidence justifies any conclusion about the history of the lease itself, it might justify the view that as *precaria* were developing into heritable customary tenancies, the landlords were beginning to make wider use of the lease for a term of years. This at any rate is the conclusion which appears to emerge from S. Rietschel's historical survey of the hereditary lease.<sup>9</sup> But this view may not allow sufficiently for the possibility that the short lease was employed more commonly in the earlier centuries than may appear at first sight. In the first place, the records of *precaria* are confined almost entirely to transactions between monastic landlords and the freeholders who had donated their land. Where, as in Italy, the dealings with unfree tenants are also recorded, the latter appear to hold by the short-term *libellus*.<sup>10</sup> In the second place, the early documents occasionally refer to *conductores*; and, in spite of some disagreement about the meaning of the term, it appears highly probable that 'farmers' in the English sense are meant. This was the Roman use of the term and this is what is obviously meant by it in the injunction of the Council of Paris of 829: 'ut presbiteri nullo modo fiant uilici et conductores'.<sup>11</sup> This sense of the term is confirmed by its use in other injunctions against the employment of clerics as farmers or collectors of taxes: e.g. 'conductores uel procuratores siue exactores fiscalium rerum'.<sup>12</sup> In view of these uses Inama-Sternegg may have overdone his scepticism about the sense in which the term *conductores* is used in a well-known Freising document.<sup>13</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Les Classes rurales et le régime domanial en France au moyen âge* (Paris, 1901), pp. 221 f.

<sup>2</sup> L. Genicot, *L'Economie rurale Namuroise au bas moyen âge* (Louvain, 1943), p. 277; A. Déléage, *La Vie économique et sociale de la Bourgogne dans le haut moyen âge* (Mâcon, 1941), pp. 598 ff.

<sup>3</sup> A. Dopsch, *Verfassungs- und Wirtschaftsgeschichte des Mittelalters* (Vienna, 1928), p. 535.

<sup>4</sup> 'donation restituée en usufruit': Déléage, i. 599 ff., esp. p. 601.

<sup>5</sup> B. Guérard, *Polyptyque de l'Abbé Irminon*, i (Paris, 1845), 575-7 (2 ed., 1895, i, 82-5).

<sup>6</sup> Op. cit., pp. 603 ff.

<sup>7</sup> G. Caro, 'Studien zu den älteren St. Galler Urkunden', *Jahrb. f. Schweizerische Geschichte*, xxvii (1902), 300-34; Hermann Bikel, *Die Wirtschaftsverhältnisse des Klosters St. Gallen* (1914), pp. 136 f.; Th. Bitterhauf, *Traditionen des Hochstifts Freising* (1905), pp. lxii-lxxiii.

<sup>8</sup> Déléage, op. cit., p. 602.

<sup>9</sup> 'Die Entstehung der freien Erbleihe', *Zeitschr. d. Savigny Stiftung für Rechtsgeschichte*, xxii (1901), Germ. Abt., 181-244, 455-6. But see H. Wopfner, *Beiträge zur Geschichte der freien bäuerlichen Erbleihe Deutschlands im Mittelalter* (Breslau, 1903).

<sup>10</sup> L. Hartmann, F. Schupfer, loc. cit.

<sup>11</sup> *Mon. Germ. Hist., Leg., Concilia*, ii. i. 630.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, *Leg., Capitularia*, ii. 122, A.D. 850, ch. 18.

<sup>13</sup> Bitterhauf, op. cit., no. 238; Inama-Sternegg, op. cit. i. 366; cf. Dopsch, *Wirtschaftsentwicklung*, p. 277.

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# [I] [*f.* 2] CARTE NATIVORUM DE BURGO

## (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF PETERBOROUGH)

1. Grant by Cecily widow of Roger Reeve of Peterborough in free widowhood to William son of Richard Sweyn of Garton<sup>1</sup> of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in Ederley (in Peterborough) between the meadow once Richard Sweyn's and the meadow of William of Barnack, abutting on the causeway to Oxney at one end and the abbot's meadow at the other; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.*, doubled for relief.<sup>2</sup> *Before 1290*

Memorandum quod Cecilia quondam uxor Rogeri prepositi de Burgo in libera uiduitate etc. dedit etc. Willelmo filio Ricardi Sweyn de Carton<sup>1</sup> unam dimidiam acram prati iacentem in Eggereslee, inter pratum quondam Ricardi Sweyn (in manu domini<sup>1</sup>) et pratum Willelmi de Bernak, et abbuttat uno capite super calcetum de Oxeneye<sup>3</sup> et alio capite super pratum domini abbatis; habendam etc. sibi et heredibus suis de predicta Cecilia et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim duos denarios ad quatuor anni terminos pro omnibus etc., et duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrantia et sine data. (Mab[ilia] Abbot tenet natiua.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Not long before 1290. Roger the reeve, late husband of the donor, is mentioned still in no. 10 (1298-9), and Richard Sweyn, late father of the recipient, occurs in late 13th-century charters (nos. 59, 115). The recipient may possibly be the William son of Richard 'Swon' of nos. 484, &c. (cf. esp. no. 494).

2. Grant by Richard son of Robert of Eastfield (Peterborough)<sup>4</sup> to William his brother of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the assarts of Eastwood,<sup>5</sup> between the land of his brother Robert and William's own, abutting to the east on *Bechedik*;<sup>6</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.*, doubled for relief. *Probably mid 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti de Estfeld<sup>4</sup> dedit etc. (Waltero<sup>6</sup>) Willelmo fratri suo unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in assartis de Estwode, inter terram Roberti fratris sui et terram predicti Willelmi fratris sui, et unum capud abuttat super *Bechedik* uersus orientem; habendam etc. sibi et heredibus suis de predicto Ricardo et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro omnibus, et duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrantia et sine data. (Willelmo (*sic*) Sowne.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Before 1290, and probably some time before, if William of Eastfield is father to the Walter of no. 3, q.v.

3. Grant by Robert son of Ralph Carpenter of Fletton (Hunts.) to Walter son of William of Eastfield of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in the assarts of Eastwood,<sup>5</sup> between the land of William Benecok and the land of William son of Ingerith, abutting to the south on the 'green way' (i.e. grass track) between Garton and Eastfield, and to the north on the land of Robert of Bringhurst; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 6*d.*, doubled for relief.

*Mid 13th century*

Item Robertus filius Radulphi carpentarii de Fletton dedit etc. Waltero filio Willelmi de Estfeld unam acram et dimidiam terre iacentes in assartis de Estwode, inter terram Willelmi Benecok et terram Willelmi filii Ingerithe, et abuttant uno capite super uiridem uiam inter Carton et Estfeld uersus austrum et alio capite super terram Roberti de Bringhirst uersus aquilonem, habendam

<sup>1</sup> Now known as Garton end in the city of Peterborough (W. T. M.).

<sup>2</sup> For the meaning of this phrase, see above, pp. xxvii-xxviii.

<sup>3</sup> The cell or grange in Flay Fen used as a rest house for the monks (W. T. M.).

<sup>4</sup> Eastfield was a hamlet of the vill of Burgh (W. T. M.).

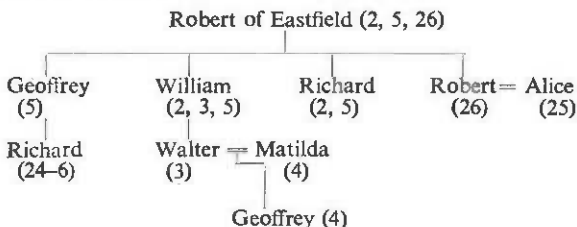
<sup>5</sup> Eastwood, a large wood in the vill on the boundary of the parish of Eye (W. T. M.). *Assarta* probably represent the areas of reclaimed woodland often referred to below as 'the Thwaites' and 'the Stibbynges'. The Thwaites have been represented in recent times by Thwaites Common, between Dogsthorpe and Paston (Bridges, *Hist. of Northamptonshire*, ii. 570); the Stibbynges by the field name Steepings (Enclosure Award of 1811, cited *P. N. Northants*, p. 289).

<sup>6</sup> The beach was the 'wash lands' between the town and the fen (W. T. M.).



sibi et heredibus (suis) de predicto Roberto et heredibus suis, reddendo vid. ad iij terminos pro omnibus (seruiciis), et duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrantia et sine data. (Johannes Ball[ ] tenet.)

*Date.* Robert of Brighthurst died in 1277 (see no. 26); a William Benecok occurs in 1214-22 (N, ff. 176 ff.) and 1250-63 (no. 526); a son of Walter of Eastfield is a party to no. 4 (after 1282). This charter seems to distinguish between William of Eastfield and William son of Ingerith (nephew of Berengar of Eastfield, see p. lxii), and enables us to deduce the following (somewhat hypothetical) pedigree.



(The second and third generations belong to the mid and late 13th centuries: Richard son of Geoffrey occurs as late as 1293-4 (24), Walter son of William in the middle of the century (3), Geoffrey son of Walter 1282-c. 1296 (4).) It is, however, just possible that William son of Robert and William son of Ingerith (i.e. Ingrid) were identical, in which case the two Eastfield pedigrees could be fitted together.)

4. Quit-claim by John of Wingham of Peterborough to Geoffrey son of Walter of Eastfield of his rights in 5 acres lying between Garton and Newark,<sup>1</sup> between the land of Richard Benecok and the land of Walter Knotte of Glinton, abutting the green (road) at one end and the land of John of Brighthurst at the other; he has also quit-claimed to Matilda daughter of Ascelina, mother of the same Geoffrey, 1 acre lying among the 5 acres bought by Matilda of Isabel widow of John the Almoner. 1282-c. 1296

Item Johannes de Wengham in Burgo remisit etc. Galfrido filio Walteri de Estfeld totum ius etc. in quinque acris terre arabilis iacentibus inter Carton et Neuwerk, quorum caput abbuttat super uiridem etc. ex parte occidentali et super terram Johannis de Bringhirst ex parte orientali, et iacentibus inter terram Ricardi Benecok ex una parte et terram Walteri Knotte de Glynton ex altera, habendas sibi et heredibus suis; quietam clamauit similiter Matilde [f. 2<sup>v</sup>] filie Asceline matri predicti Galfridi unam acram terre que continetur infra predictas quinque acras quam predicta Matilda emit de Isabella uxore quondam Johannis le Aumener. Sine warrantia et sine data. (f. 2: Edmundus frater Oliueri Pape. Oliuerus de Pappel' et alii tenet (sic) et Ricardus Hunne tenet. f. 2<sup>v</sup>: Pappelle de Eye tenet et reddit jd. ob. capelle beate Marie.)

*Date.* John the Almoner was alive in 1282 (no. 53 and n.); Adam the Almoner (occurs 1308, 1333, P, pp. 12, 13 n.) was apparently his successor.<sup>2</sup> John of Brighthurst succeeded c. 1277 (no. 26), occurs in 1302 (V2, f. 48), and was apparently dead by c. 1312 (no. 41). Richard Benecok's widow was granted wardship of their son in 1296 (V2, f. 5<sup>r-v</sup>). The donor was presumably son of Nigel of Wingham (see no. 6).

5. Grant by Geoffrey son of Robert of Eastfield to William his brother of 1 acre towards Eastwood between his own land and the land of Richard his brother, abutting to the east on the *Beche*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d.

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Galfridus filius Roberti de Estfeld dedit etc. Willelmo fratri suo unam (dimidiam<sup>c</sup>) acram terre uersus Estwode inter terram suam et terram Ricardi sui, abutantem uersus orientem super le Beche, habendam etc. sibi et here-

<sup>1</sup> Newark, an ancient hamlet of the vill of Burgh (W. T. M.).

<sup>2</sup> See note to no. 53. A John son of John the Almoner occurs in Swa, f. clxiii; this is probably the John of this charter.

dibus suis de predicto G(alfrido) et heredibus suis, reddendo ijd. ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warrantia et sine data. (Johannes Pep(er) de Eye tenet cum uxore sua.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* As no. 2; possibly a little earlier, if Richard's land in this charter is the same as that granted away in no. 2.

6. Grant by Nigel Tailor of Peterborough to Hugh clerk of *Bidelesthorp* and his heirs of a messuage in Peterborough in Priestgate, between the messuage of Robert Wytecok and the messuage which Nigel of Wingham holds of the same fee; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2s. Hugh gave the same messuage to Margery widow of Thomas of Thorpe and her heirs.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Nigellus cissor de Burgo dedit etc. Hugoni clerico de Bidelesthorp et heredibus suis quoddam messuagium in Burgo in le Prestegate, inter mesuagium Roberti Wytecok et mesuagium quod Nigellus de Wengham tenet de eodem feodo, habendum etc. sibi et heredibus suis de ipso et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim ijs. ad quatuor terminos pro omnibus. Cum warrantia et sine data.

Dominus Hugo dedit etc. predictum mesuagium Margerie quondam uxori Thome de Thorpe et heredibus suis. Cum warrantia et sine data.

*Date.* Nigel of Wingham occurs before 1263 (F, p. 23); his son before 1296 (F, pp. 12-13; cf. no. 4).

The second paragraph summarizes a different, slightly later document.

7. Grant by William of Upton of Dogsthorpe to William of the Green of 1 acre and 1 rood in Garton; the rood lying between the land of Roger Baker of Peterborough and the land of Matilda *ad Stapel*, abutting at one end on the road from Garton to Newark; and the acre lying in one piece between the land of Thomas son of Osegoth of Peterborough and his own demesne, abutting at one end on his own meadow; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 4d.

*Early or mid 13th century*

Item Willelmus de Upton de Dodesthorpe dedit etc. Willelmo de la Grene unam acram et unam rodam terre in campis de Carton; uidelicet unam rodam iacentem inter terram Rogeri pistoris de Burgo et terram Matilde ad Stapel et uno capite abuttat super uiam inter Carton et Neuwerc; et acram integram iacentem inter terram Thome filii Osegoth de Burgo et dominicum suum, et in uno capite abuttat super pratum suum; habendas illi et heredibus suis de ipso et heredibus suis, reddendo iijjd. ad quatuor terminos pro omnibus. Cum warrantia et sine data. [ff. 3-4 blank.]

*Date.* Some time before no. 46, since the Robert Osgot of 46 was probably son of Thomas son of Osegoth (cf. Robert son of Thomas son of Osgoth, Pc, f. 138<sup>v</sup>, F, pp. 31-32, before 1263); and a Thomas Osegoth occurs in 1214-22 (N, ff. 176<sup>v</sup> ff.). This suggests that the recipient was the William atte Green of the Surveys, who had been succeeded by Thomas in no. 46, and was later succeeded by another William (see p. lxiii).

## [II] (f. 5) CARTE NATIVORUM DE BURGBIRI

### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF BOROUGHURY)<sup>1</sup>

8. Grant by John of Buckden to Richard son of Hugh Flory of Garton and his heirs of 1½ acres in Dogsthorpe; of which 1 acre lies in *Appeltre* furlong between the land of Richard Gyre (? Gere) and of Walter of Farcet, abutting on the road from Dogsthorpe to Paston; and ½ acre at Garton in 3 adjacent selions between the land once held by Geoffrey Schoolmaster of Peterborough and the road from Garton to Newark; to be held of the almonry for an annual rent of 6d.

<sup>1</sup> The abbot's manor within the vill of Peterborough (see above, p. xiii, n.). Most of the place-names in this section—including the hamlets of Garton, Dogsthorpe, Newark, and Longthorpe—are within the boundaries of Peterborough.

Memorandum quod Johannes de Bukedeyne dedit etc. Ricardo filio Hugonis Flory de Carton et heredibus suis tres dimidias acras in campis de Dodesthorp, quarum una acra iacet in cultura que uocatur Appeltre inter terram Ricardi Gyre et terram Walteri de Faresheued, et abuttat super uiam que ducit de Dodesthorp uersus Paston; et dimidia acra iacet apud Carton inter tres seliones coniunctim inter terram condam Galfridi Scolmeyster de Burgo et uiam per quam itur de Carton uersus Newerck; tenendas de elemosinaria pro sex denariis ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Printed. Northants Notes and Queries*, n.s. v (1921-3), 83.

*Date.* Difficult to date, because there were two Hugh Floris, father and son. One of them occurs, as does Geoffrey Schoolmaster, in 1226-33 (Pc, f. 166<sup>r-v</sup>, cf. Swa, ff. 221<sup>v</sup> ff.); one of them is 'quondam' in no. 46.

9. Grant by Nicholas son of William of Upton to Alan Godmel of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in Edgerley, which Gilbert of Fotheringay and Sibyl his wife sold him, lying next the meadow of Eda widow of Ralph Bateman; for a rent of 2d. *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Nicholaus filius Willelmi de Upton concessit etc. Alano Godmel dimidiam acram prati in Eggerdesle, quam Gilbertus de Foderyngeye et Sibilla uxor eius ei uendiderunt, iacentem iuxta pratum Ede condam uxoris Radulphi Bateman; habendam sibi et heredibus etc., reddendo duos denarios etc. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The abbreviated *habendam* clause seems to imply subinfeudation, which would date the charter before 1290; Nicholas was also grantor of no. 46. His daughter occurs in the Nassaborough Hundred Court Roll of 1283.

10. Lease<sup>1</sup> indented for four years by Matilda widow of Thomas of Barnack to William son of Benedict of Stanground and Mariota his wife and their heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and 5 feet of meadow, lying in Edgerley between the meadow once held by Thomas of Barnack and the meadow of Roger Reeve, abutting at one end on the bridge (causeway?) leading towards Oxney and at the other on the abbot's meadow. *1298-9*

Item Matilda condam uxor Thome de Bernak de Burgo tradidit per indenturam Willelmo filio Benedicti de Stangrout et Mariot(e) uxori eius et heredibus eorum, unam dimidiam acram prati et quinque pedes iacentes in Egeresle inter pratum condam Thome de Bernak et pratum Rogeri prepositi, et abuttat uno capite super pontem quo itur uersus Oxeneye et alio capite super pratum abbatis, habendam ut supra, ad terminum quatuor annorum. Data anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo septimo.

11. Grant by Nicholas of Upton of Garton to William his son of 1 selion<sup>2</sup> in the assarts in his upper furlong on the east of the land of Hugh son of William Underwood,<sup>3</sup> abutting at one end on the land of Berengar of Eastfield and at the other on the sacrist's; for an annual rent of 2d. *Mid 13th century or later*

Item Nicholaus de Upton in Carton dedit etc. Willelmo filio suo unam selionem (dimidiam acram<sup>1</sup>) terre in acertis in sua superiori cultura ex orientali parte terre Hugonis filii Willelmi Underwode, et abuttat uno capite super terram Beringarii de Estfeld et alio capite super terram sacriste; reddendo predicto Nicholao et heredibus suis duos denarios ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 9; and for Berengar, above, p. lxii. Nos. 11-13 all probably had subinfeudation clauses.

<sup>1</sup> The use of the word 'tradidit' and the mention of the term suggest that this is a lease; but its precise meaning is not entirely clear.

<sup>2</sup> The selion was a strip in an open field, of variable area; here  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre, in no. 428 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods ( $\frac{3}{4}$  acre). It was commonly somewhat larger (cf. W. G. Hoskins, *Midland Peasant*, p. 66). In these charters *selio* is sometimes masculine, sometimes feminine.

<sup>3</sup> Cf. nos. 523-4.

12. Grant by Thomas Berengar of Eastfield to Richard son of William Gunnild of Eastfield and Brihyne (cf. no. 13) his wife and their heirs of 1 acre in Peterborough towards Eastwood on Berengar's *Stibbe*, between his own land and the almoner's, abutting at one end on the Thwaite and at the other on the land of Alice of Scotter; for an annual rent of 4*d.*, and 8*d.* for relief.  
*Second half of 13th century*

Item Thomas Berenger de Estfeld dedit etc. Ricardo filio Willelmi Gunnild de Estfeld et Brihyne uxori eius et heredibus eorum unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo uersus Estwode super Berengens Stibbe, inter terram meam et terram elemosinarii de Burgo, et abuttat uno capite uersus le Tueytes et alio super terram Alicie de Scotere; tenendam sibi et heredibus etc., reddendo inde annuatim predicto T(home) uel heredibus quatuor denarios ad quatuor terminos, et pro releuio viij*d.* Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes in ye Lanend . . .<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Probably before 1290. The land in question may be that referred to as Thomas Berengar's in no. 114. Alice of Scotter's *floruit* was apparently in the second half of the 13th century (but see no. 193).

13. Grant by Isabella widow of William Pitman of Peterborough to Richard Gunnild of Newark and Brithgina his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre lying between Eastwood and *Wermesbrigg*, between the land of John of Barnack and of Robert of *Wodehithe*; for an annual rent to herself and her heirs of 4*d.*, doubled for relief.

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Isabella condam uxor Willelmi Pitman de Burgo dedit etc. Ricardo Gunnild de Newerc et Brithgine uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis, unam acram iacentem inter [*f. 5<sup>v</sup>*] Estwode et Wermesbrigg inter terram Johannis de Bernak ex una parte et terram Roberti de Wodehithe ex altera; tenendam etc., reddendo inde michi uel heredibus meis quatuor denarios ad quatuor terminos et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*f. 5*: Willelmus Alred natiuus.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. no. 12. If John of Barnack was still alive, it must be before 1288 (cf. no. 83). But a William Pitman occurs in 1222-6 (no. 538).

14. Grant by Thomas son of Adam Shepherd of Dogsthorpe to Agnes his sister and her heirs of a moiety of his messuage with the buildings attached; for service to himself, his heirs and the abbot.

Item Thomas filius Ade bercarii de Dodesthorp dedit etc. Agneti sorori sue et heredibus medietatem tocius mesuagii sui et cum edificiis iacentibus<sup>a</sup> inter medietatem suam de eodem mesuagio;<sup>1</sup> tenendam etc., faciendo sibi uel heredibus et domino abbati de Burgo seruicia. Cum warentia et sine data.

15. Grant without warranty by Launcelin of Thorpe to William son of Thomas of Bondgate (now St. John St. in Peterborough) with Ascilia his daughter of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Dogsthorpe, between the land of Richard le Toller and the abbot's headland; for an annual rent of 1*d.*

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Launcelinus de Thorp dedit etc. Willelmo filio Thome de Bondegate cum Ascilia filia sua unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Dodesthorp, inter terram Ricardi le Toller ex una parte et forarium domini abbatis de Burgo ex altera; habendam etc., reddendo predicto L(auncelino) uel heredibus j*d.* ad Pascha. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Dated on the presumption that Launcelin is the father of William son of Launcelin—possibly also the Launcelin of Thorpe of the Surveys—who had had sons by 1296 (no. 106) and was dead by 1317 (no. 69). But the absence of warranty suggests an early date, and another William son of Launcelin occurs in 1214-22 (N, ff. 176*v* ff.).

<sup>a</sup> iacet MS.

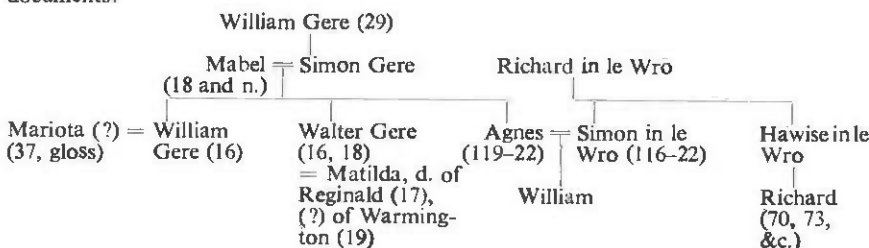
<sup>1</sup> The exact meaning is not clear; but the general sense is not in doubt.

16. Grant by Simon Gere of Garton to William and Walter his sons and their heirs of 5 acres of arable and 1 acre of meadow in Ederley: 1 acre lies in *Appeltre* between the land of Roger of Catworth and of Robert Alred; 1 acre between the land of Alice le Fort and his own;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre as a headland between Dogsthorpe *croftys*;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at Garton *utgong* by the land of Arnold of Upton; 1 acre of meadow in Ederley between his own meadow and Robert Sewale's. He also gave to his son Walter 1 acre at Eastwood *gates* between the land of Ascelin Mason and of John of Walton, and 3 roods by Ascelin Mason's land, and 3 roods by William Carpenter's and Thomas Abbot's (see no. 17); and 1 acre of meadow in Ederley, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies by the land of William his son and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow by the abbot's meadow; for service to the chief lords. c. 1300

Item Simon Ger' de Carton dedit Willelmo et Waltero filiis suis fratribus et eorum heredibus v acras terre<sup>a</sup> et unam acram prati in Eggerle, quarum una acra iacet in Appeltre inter terram Rogeri de Catworth et terram Roberti Alred, et una acra iacet inter terram Alicie le Fort et terram suam ex altera, et una dimidia acra terre, que iacet pro forera inter Dodesthorp croftys, et una dimidia acra terre iacet apud Carton utgong iuxta terram Arnaldi de Upton, et acra prati iacet in Eggerle inter pratum suum et pratum Roberti Sewale. Dedit etiam Waltero (filio) suo antedicto unam acram terre apud Estwode gates inter terram Ascellini cementarii et terram Johannis de Walton, et una triroda iacet iuxta terram Ascelini cementarii, et una triroda iacet iuxta<sup>b</sup> (terram) Willelmi carpentarii et terram Thome Abbot, et una acra prati in Eggerle, unde una dimidia acra iacet iuxta terram Willelmi filii sui et una dimidia acra prati iacet iuxta pratum domini abbatis; habendas etc., reddendo seruicia capitalibus dominis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* In this charter Simon Gere (see no. 18 n.) endows his sons, and so it is likely to be slightly earlier or about contemporary with the marriage settlement for his daughter Agnes (nos. 119-22 of 1303-4). For what it is worth, Alice Fort is referred to as if alive, and she was dead by 1304 (no. 119). Robert Alred occurs from 1303 (no. 120) to 1320-1 (Boroughbury Court Roll).

The following pedigree of the families of Gere and Wro may be deduced from the documents:



(Evidence from the charters is given in brackets. William son of Simon in le Wro occurs in the Boroughbury Court Roll of 1321; Hawise is described as daughter of Richard in le Wro in the Abbot's Receiver's Accts. of 1307-8 and 1309-10 (cf. above, p. ix). Robert Gere (53: 1282) and Gilbert Gere (32, 120: 1303) were presumably related to Simon; Simon son of Richard Gere (118) may be a slip for Simon son of William, or another member of the family otherwise unrecorded—cf. nos. 8, 122 for a Richard Gere. This suggests the possibility, however, that some of the references to Simon Gere may be to a second man of the same name. See also no. 554.)

Simon Gere was still alive in 1309-10; but as he was making arrangements for the disposal of his property then (Abbot's Receiver's Acct.), his career was probably drawing to a close. In no. 22, below, it is suggested that his *floruit* was from c. 1275-1310. For the status of the family, see above, p. xiii.

17. Grant by Simon Gere of Garton to Walter his son and Matilda daughter of Reginald his wife, and their heirs, of 2 acres and 1 rood in the assarts towards Eastwood, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres lie between the land of Roger of Meriden on the north and Robert atte Green on the south, abutting at one end on the road from Garton to Eastwood, and 3 roods between

<sup>a</sup> Only 3 acres of arable are accounted for: either a clause is missing, or we should read 3 for 5 in the total.

<sup>b</sup> Perhaps for inter.

the land of William Carpenter of Dogsthorpe and of Thomas Abbot, abutting at one end on the land of W. of Ugate in Dogsthorpe (see no. 16); for an annual rent of 4*d.* to the chief lords. c. 1300

Item Simon Ger' de Carton dedit Waltero filio suo et Matilde filie Reginaldi uxori eius et heredibus duas acras et unam rodam terre iacentes in assartis uersus Estwode, quarum una acra et dimidia iacent inter terram Rogeri de Meriden ex parte aquilonari et terram Roberti al Grene ex parte australi, et abuttat uno capite super uiam qua itur de Carton uersus Estwode, et una triroda iacet inter terram Willelmi carpentarii de Dodisthorp ex una parte et terram Thome Abbot ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram W. de Ugate in Dodesthorp; tenendas etc., reddendo capitalibus dominis quatuor denarios ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Natiui tenent Ricardus in le Wro et filie Matilde Gere. Eadem terra continetur in proxima carta precedenti.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* As no. 16.

18. Grant by Simon Gere of Dogsthorpe<sup>1</sup> and Mabel his wife to Walter their son of 2 acres of arable and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in Dogsthorpe, of which 1 acre lies in the Middle furlong between the land of Alice of Scotter and the land of William Reeve, abutting at one end on the almoner's headland, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow lying between the meadow of Robert Sewale of Garton and of Simon in le Wro, abutting on the causeway to Oxney, and 1 acre between the land of Master Ascelin Mason and of John of Walton, abutting on the almoner's meadow. 1302-3

[*f. 6*] Item Simon Gere de Dodesthorp et Mabilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Waltero filio eorum duas acras terre et unam dimidiam acram prati in campis de Dodisthorp, quarum una acra terre iacet in le Middilfurlong inter terram Alicie de Scotere et terram Willelmi prepositi, et abuttat uno capite super foreram elemosinarii de Burgo, et dimidia acra prati iacet inter pratum Roberti Schewale de Cartone et pratum Simonis in le Wro, et abuttat super cauceam de Oxeneye, et una acra iacet inter terram magistri Ascelini cemenarii et terram Johannis de Walton, et abuttat super pratum elemosinarii de Burgo; tenendas etc. Cum warentia et data anno regni regis E(dwardi) tricesimo primo. (Terra Roberti de Stucle tradita Margarete Miriden. Hic continetur forera.)<sup>a</sup>

19. Grant by Simon Gere of Garton to Reginald of Warmington of Peterborough of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Newark on the *Fyg weye* towards Eastwood, between the land of William Launcelin on the north and of Walter Teyt of Whittlesey on the south, abutting to the west on the headland of John of Brighthurst and on the east on the land of Thomas le Pestur (Baker) of Peterborough; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of 2*d.*, doubled for relief.

*Probably late 13th century*

Item Simon Gere de Carton dedit etc. Reginaldo de Wermi(n)gton in Burgo unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Newerk super le Fyg weye uersus Estwode, inter terram Willelmi Launcelyn ex parte aquilonari et terram Walteri Teyt de Wytteles' ex parte australi, et abuttat uno capite uersus occidentem super foreram Johannis de Brennegist et alio uersus orientem super terram Thome le Pestur de Burgo; habendam etc., reddendo michi uel heredibus i*jd.* ad quatuor terminos, et pro releuio seruicium unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia, sine data. (Agnes uxor Ricardi prepositi tenet.)<sup>1</sup>

*Date.* Presumably before 1290; for William Launcelin see no. 15.

<sup>a</sup> This passage is written at the head of the folio, with a mark for insertion at this point: the last three words have a mark to connect them with 'super foreram elemosinarii' above.

<sup>1</sup> It is reasonably certain that Simon Gere of Garton and Simon Gere of Dogsthorpe are the same man. Both lived about the same time; both had wives called Mabel (nos. 18, 28, &c.); both had sons called Walter (nos. 16, 18); both held *Hey Heuedlond* (nos. 32, 120); and both shared in the endowment of Simon in le Wro and his wife (nos. 119-20). For his pedigree, see note to no. 16.

20. Grant by Roger son of Roger Thorold of Walton to Robert atte Stile of Dogsthorpe and Agnes his wife and their heirs of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres lying on *Stybbynghes* towards the *Beche* in Paston, between the land of Sir Geoffrey Russel and of Agnes Underwood, abutting at one end towards the *Beche* and at the other on the land of Richard Neil of Werrington; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of *2d.*, doubled for relief (see no. 88).

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Rogerus filius Rogeri de (*sic*) Torold de Walton dedit Roberto ad Scalarium de Dodesthorp et Agneti uxori eius et heredibus eorum unam acram terre arabilis et dimidiam iacentes super Stybbynghes uersus Le Beche in campo de Paston, inter terram domini Galfridi Russel militis et terram Agnetis sub Bosco, et abuttant uno capite uersus le Beche et alio super terram Ricardi Neyl de Wytheryngton; tenendam etc., reddendo michi uel heredibus *ijd.* ad duos terminos, et pro releuo redditus unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Simon Abbot natiuus tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Probably before 1290, but perhaps not long before. For Robert atte Stile see nos. 21, 88, 114. There were two Geoffrey Russels, father and younger son, who between them spanned the second half of the century; they were lords of the Tot fee, and the elder was for a time steward of the abbots of Peterborough (P, pp. 109-10, nn., below, p. 226). For the Thorolds, see nos. 129, 153, &c. Agnes Underwood occurred in 1279 (F, p. 108), and is mentioned in the 1290's (nos. 111 and (?) 175; but cf. no. 112).

21. Grant by Robert atte Stile of Dogsthorpe and Agnes his wife to Robert atte Hill of Eye, Ellen his wife (cf. no. 23), and their heirs, of 1 acre in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, between the almoner's land and that of Robert son of Cecily, abutting at one end on the Thwaites and at the other on land once held by Alice Scotter; for an annual rent of *4d.* to William Berengar of Eastfield and his heirs.

*Late 13th century*

Item Robertus atte Stile de Dodestorp et Agnes uxor sua dederunt etc. Roberto atte Hyl de Eye, Helene uxori sue et heredibus unam acram terre arabilis iacentem in campo de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram elemosinarii de Burgo et terram Roberti filii Cecilie, et abuttat una (*sic*) capite super le Thowaytes et alio super terram quondam Alicie Scotere; habendam etc., reddendo pro nobis et pro heredibus nostris Willemo Berenger de Estfeld et heredibus suis quatuor (denarios)<sup>a</sup> ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus in le Wro.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. nos. 20, 88 (neither of which can be later than 1300), and 114 (before 1290). If all the references in these charters to Alice of Scotter refer to one lady (which is far from certain), she was already a widow before 1263 (nos. 523-4), and was apparently dead by 1290 (no. 130). She is frequently mentioned in late 13th-century documents, last in 1302-3 (no. 18); but she was not certainly alive in any after no. 46.

22. Grant by Agnes widow of Ralph the Servant (or Serjeant) of Eye in free widowhood to Geoffrey son of Hugh le Rede and Sarah his wife and their heirs of 1 acre in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, between the almoner's land and Simon Gere's, abutting at one end on the land of Robert of Woodston and at the other on Eastwood dyke; for an annual rent of *4d.* to Thomas of Crapston (possibly Thrapston) of Peterborough and his heirs, doubled for relief.

*c. 1275-90*

[*f. 6<sup>v</sup>*] Item Agnes relictā Radulphi le Seruaunt de Eye in sua libera uiduitate dedit Galfrido filio Hugonis le Rede et Sarre uxori sue et heredibus unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram elemosinarii ex una parte et terram Simonis Gere ex altera, et abuttat in uno capite super terram Roberti de Wodeston et in alio super Estwode dyk; tenendam etc., reddendo Thome de Crapston (*sic*) in Burgo et heredibus suis pro me et heredibus meis *iiijd.* ad quatuor terminos, et pro releuo seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus in ye Wro tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

<sup>a</sup> terminos MS.

*Date.* Nos. 40, 44, and 51, all before 1290, were granted by the widow of Robert Woodston; if he was alive when this charter was granted, it must be before 1290. Since Simon Gere (if this is the same man) was endowing his children c. 1300-10 (see no. 16), his *floruit* was presumably c. 1275-1310 (cf. no. 34).

23. Grant by Simon Gere of Eye to Ellen wife of Robert atte Hill and Sewall her son and their heirs of 1 acre in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, between the land of Simon in le Wro of Dogsthorpe and of Walter Smith, abutting at one end on the almoner's meadow and at the other on Walter Tanner's headland; for an annual rent of 4d. to the chief lord, doubled for relief.  
*Probably after 1290; ? c. 1300*

Item Simon Gere de Eye dedit etc. Elene uxori Roberti atte Hil et Sewallo filio suo et heredibus unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram Simonis in le Wro de Dodesthorp ex una parte et terram Walteri fabri ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super pratum elemosinarii de Burgo et alio super foreram Walteri tannatoris de Burgo; habendam etc., reddendo capitali domino iiij*d.* ad quatuor terminos; et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem Ricardus tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* If the donor is the same as the Simon Gere of Garton and Dogsthorpe (see above, no. 18), his *floruit* was c. 1275-1305; Simon in le Wro occurs in 1303 and later (no. 120, &c.); if Robert atte Hill was dead, a date much before 1300 is hardly possible. A Walter Tanner occurs in 1266 (F, p. 32; and cf. no. 118).

24. Grant by Richard son of Geoffrey of Eastfield to Alice daughter of Robert Barun of Eye of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lying towards Eastwood, between the land of John of Bringhurst and of Walter son of William Ingerith of Eastfield, abutting on the *Beche* to the east and on the land of Reginald Grant to the north; for an annual rent to the chief lord of 4d. (see nos. 25-26).  
*1293-4*

Item Ricardus filius Galfridi de Estfeud dedit etc. Alicie filie Roberti Barun de (Brennegest<sup>e</sup>) Eye unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem uersus Estwode, inter terram Johannis de Brennegest ex una parte et terram Walteri filii Willelmi Iggerith de Estfeud ex altera, et abbuttat uno capite super le Beyche uersus orientem et alio super terram Reginaldi Granti uersus aquilonem; tenendam etc., reddendo capitali domino iiij*d.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et data anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo secundo.

*Date.* The dating clause could just be stretched to 1348-9, which is late for this collection, and John of Bringhurst's son occurs in no. 41 (1311-12); see also nos. 25-26.

25. Quit-claim by Alice widow of Robert of Eastfield to Richard son of Geoffrey of Eastfield of her dowry rights in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Stybynges* under Eastwood, which Robert her husband sold to Richard (see no. 26).  
*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Alicia relicta Roberti de Estfeld concessit et quietum clamauit Ricardo filio Galfridi de Estfeld totum ius quod habuit nomine dotis in una dimidia acra terre in Stybynges sub Estwode, quam quidem Robertus uir suus condam dicto Ricardo uendidit.

*Date.* Presumably contemporary with 26.

26. Grant by Robert son of Robert of Eastfield to Richard son of Geoffrey of Eastfield of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lying towards Eastwood, between the land of Robert of Bringhurst and of Walter son of William Ingerith of Eastfield, abutting on the *Beche* to the east and on land once held by Reginald Grant on the north; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of 2d. (see no. 24).  
*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus filius Roberti de Estfeud dedit etc. Ricardo filio Galfridi de Estfeld unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem uersus Estwode, inter terram Roberti de Brennegest ex una parte et terram Walteri filii Willelmi Ingerith de



Estfeld ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super le Beche uersus orientem et altero super terram quondam Reginaldi Granti uersus aquilonem; tenendam etc., reddendo michi et heredibus meis *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The terms seem to imply subinfeudation. In any case a comparison with no. 24, dated 1293-4, suggests that this is earlier: Robert Bringhurst has been replaced by John, although Reginald Grant is in 26, but not in 24, 'quondam'. Robert Bringhurst died in 1277 (F, p. 311). For the other persons mentioned, see p. lxii and no. 3, n.

27. Grant by Berengar son of Osbert of Eastfield and William his brother to William son of Ingerith their nephew and his heirs of 2 acres in the assarts; for an annual rent to themselves and their heirs of *8d.*

*Mid 13th century*

Item Berengarius filius Osberti de Estfeld et Willelmus frater eius dederunt etc. Willemo nepoti eorum filio Ingrith et heredibus duas acras terre in assartis; [*f. 7*] tenendas etc., reddendo michi et heredibus *vijj.d.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See p. lxii.

28. Grant by Robert son of Hugh le Bonde of Peterborough to Simon Gere of Garton and Mabel his wife and their heirs of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, in 3 adjacent selions between the land of the vicar of Peterborough and the land of Thomas atte Green of Peterborough, abutting at one end on the road from Garton to Eastwood; to be held of the cellarer for an annual rent of *6d.*

*Probably c. 1300*

Item Robertus filius Hugonis le Bonde de Burgo dedit etc. Simoni Ier' de Carton et Mabilie uxori sue et heredibus unam acram et dimidiam terre iacentes in campis de Burgo, uidelicet in assartis uersus Estwode, integre sicut iacent in tres (*sic*) selion(es), inter terram uicarii de Burgo et terram Thome a la Grene de eadem, et abuttant uno capite super uiam que ducit de Carton uersus Estwod; habendam de celario monachorum abbacie Burgi et de successoribus eius, reddendo predicto celario *vj* denarios ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Robertus Leche tenet et Agnes soror natua.)

*Date.* Probably after 1290; and this is confirmed by the reference to Thomas atte Green, who occurs 1295-9 (no. 112) and c. 1303-17 (no. 117) (presuming him not to be Thomas atte Green the elder of no. 46), and Simon Gere, whose *floruit* was c. 1275-1305 (above, no. 22). Probably this is part of the land disposed of by Gere c. 1300-4.

29. Grant by Launcelin Flori of Garton and Cecily his wife to Simon son of William Gere of Garton and Mabel his wife and their heirs of 1 selion in *Bethweyth*, between the land once William Marshal's and the land once William of Oundle's, abutting at one end on the land of Thomas Hall and at the other on the land of William son of Lettice; for an annual rent to themselves and their heirs of *2d.*

*? c. 1285-90*

Item Lancelinus Fluri de Carton et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Simoni filio Willelmi Gere de Carton et Mabilie uxori sue et heredibus unam selionem terre iacentem in Bethweyth, inter terram quondam Willelmi Marcalli et terram quondam Willelmi de Undel, unde unum capud abuttat super terram Thome de Aula et alterum super terram Willelmi filii Leticie; tenendam etc., reddendo nobis uel heredibus nostris *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Hawisa in le Wro tenet.)

*Date.* Apparently before 1290; but not long before. For Simon Gere see nos. 16, 22; William Marshal occurs, alive, in 1285 (no. 65); he was dead by 16 February 1292/3 (Swa, f. cxcvj<sup>v</sup>; but the name was common—cf. no. 498, 1177-92, and Pc, f. 166, 1226-33). Thomas Hall occurs frequently in the middle of the century, from 1246-9 (no. 546) to 1275 (F, pp. 88-89) and 1282 or later (no. 52); but it seems possible that there was more than one of the name.

30. Quit-claim by Clemencia wife of Turnord of Eye to Simon Gere of Garton and his heirs of her dowry rights in one meadow in Edgerley, which Turnord her husband sold to Simon (repeated in no. 33). c. 1275-1305

Item Clemencia uxor Turnordi de Eya remisit et quietum clamauit Simoni Ger' de Carton et heredibus totum ius et clamium suum, quod sibi aliquo casu contingente accidere poterit nomine dotis in uno prato in Eggerdele, quod Turnordus uir suus eidem Simoni uendidit.

Date. See no. 22.

31. Grant by Richard son of Gilbert Shepherd of Peterborough to Simon Gere of Garton and Mabel his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Dogsthorpe *croftys* by the land of Alice Fortes, abutting at one end on the messuage of William Hod and at the other on Simon's own land; for an annual rent to the chief lord of 2d. Probably 1290-1304

Item Ricardus filius Gilberti bercarii de Burgo dedit etc. Simoni Ier' de Carton et Mabillie uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in Dodesthorp *croftys* iuxta terram Alicie Fortes, et abuttat uno capite super mesuagium Willelmi Hod et alio super terram predicti Simonis; habendam etc., reddendo capitali domino ij denarios ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus in le Wro tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

Date. This seems to be the same property granted away by Gere in no. 119.

32. Grant by Alice of Stoke<sup>1</sup> widow of Thomas of Ufford in free widowhood to Simon Gere of Garton and Mabel his wife of one headland called *Heye Euedlond* in Dogsthorpe, by the headland of the same Simon on the south side, abutting on Gilbert Gere's croft at one end and at the other on the land of 'the tanner' (? for Walter Tanner, cf. no. 23) of Peterborough; for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. to the altar (? of St. Mary in the abbey).

Late 13th century

Item Alicia de Stoke<sup>1</sup> quondam uxor Thome de Upford in libera uidetate dedit etc. Simoni Ier' de Carton et Mabillie uxori eius (natiua<sup>1</sup>) unam foreram terre que uocatur Heye Euedlond iacentem in campis de Dodesthorp iuxta foreram predicti Simonis ex parte australi, et abuttat super croftum Gilberti Ier' uno capite et alio super terram tanatoris de Burgo; habendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim pro me et heredibus predicto altari<sup>2</sup> unum obolum. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem Ricardus tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

Date. If the donor is Alice of Scotter, she was a widow before 1263 (nos. 523-4). But this is clearly a part of the building up of the Gere estate in the years preceding c. 1300-3. 1303 is the *terminus ad quem*, when the headland was granted away again (no. 120).

33. A repetition of no. 30,<sup>3</sup> with details of the boundaries given—the land was  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow next to Simon's own (meadow), abutting at one end on the causeway of St. Mary's Oxney. c. 1275-1305

Item Clemencia quondam uxor Turnordi bercarii in Burgo [f. 7<sup>v</sup>] in libera uidetate sua remisit et quietum clamauit de se Simoni Gere de Carton, heredibus et assignatis suis, totum ius suum et clamium quod habuit nomine dotis in una dimidia acra prati iacente in Eggerdesle iuxta (pratum) predicti Simonis, et abuttat uno capite super calcetum Sancte Marie de Oxeneye, quam quidem dimidiam acram prati Turnordus uir suus ei Simoni uendidit; tenendam etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

<sup>1</sup> sic, ? for Scotter (cf. nos. 523-4).

<sup>2</sup> The name of the altar has fallen out in the abbreviation of the *habendam* clause; perhaps the altar of St. Mary in the abbey is meant—cf. no. 120.

<sup>3</sup> The donor's husband is Turnord of Eye in no. 30, Turnord Shepherd of Peterborough here.

34. Grant by Robert son of Margaret (see no. 149) of Stanton of Peterborough to Simon Gere of Garton and Mabel his wife and their heirs of 1 acre in Walton, in the West field<sup>1</sup> between the land of Robert Carpenter of Peterborough and of Richard son of Walter Wihntentuy [*sic*],<sup>2</sup> abutting at one end on land once William Blakeman's and at the other on land once held by William Everard of Dogsthorpe; to be held of Hugh son of William Aumfrey of Paston and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.* (see nos. 144, 149). ? c. 1275

Item Robertus filius Margarete de Stanton in Burgo dedit etc. Simoni Iere de Carton et Mabillie uxori sue et heredibus unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Walton, uidelicet in cultura que uocatur Westfeld, inter terram Roberti carpentarii de Burgo et terram Ricardi filii Walteri Wihntentuy (*sic*), et abuttat uno capite super terram condam Willelmi Blakeman et alio super terram Willelmi Euerard de Dodesthorp; habendam et tenendam de Hugone filio Willelmi Aunfres de Paston et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim predicto Hugoni uel heredibus *ijd.* ad festum Bartholomei. Cum warentia et sine data. (Isabella de Spalding tenet ex alienacione Simonis in le Wro.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Not earlier than c. 1275 (see nos. 16, 22), but not much later than no. 149.

35. Grant by Adam son of Robert of Newark to Simon Gere of Garton, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre lying in Upton *stibbyng* towards Eastwood, between the land of Alice of Scotter and of William of the Green, abutting at one end on the headland of Sarah le Barker and at the other on the land of the almoner; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.* to the altar of St. Mary (the Lady Chapel) in the abbey (see no. 37). c. 1275-90

Item Adam filius Roberti de Newerk dedit etc. Simoni Ger' de Carton, heredibus et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in Upton *stibbyng* uersus Estwode, inter terram Alicie de Scotere et terram Willelmi de le Grene, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Sarre le Barker et alio super terram elemosinarii de Burgo; tenendam de se et heredibus, reddendo annuatim altari Sancte Marie in magno monasterio Burgi *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Terra Roberti de Stucle.<sup>1</sup>)

36. Grant by Richard Gere of Dogsthorpe to Simon Gere of Garton and Mabel his wife and their heirs of 3 roods of land in Dogsthorpe in the assarts towards Eastwood, between the land of William Spicer of Peterborough and of William son of Hugh Carpenter, abutting at one end on William Spicer's land and at the other on Thomas Berengar's; for an annual rent of 2*d.*<sup>3</sup> c. 1275-90

Item Ricardus Ger' de Dodesthorp dedit etc. Simoni Ger' de Carton et Mabillie uxori et heredibus suis unam trirodam terre iacentem in campis de Dodesthorp in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram Willelmi speciarrii de Burgo et terram Willelmi filii Hugonis carpentarii, et abuttat uno capite super terram predicti Willelmi speciarrii et alio super terram Thome Berenger; tenendam etc., reddendo annuatim predicto Willelmo et heredibus duos denarios ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Agnes Iere natiua tenet. Istam trirodam Agnes Iere reddidit in manum domini pro fine Ricardi With' de terra in Witherington anno H(enrici) abbatis xj et affirmatur Marger(ie) Miriden.<sup>1</sup>)<sup>4</sup>

37. Quit-claim by Agnes widow of Adam son of Robert of Newark in free widowhood to Simon Gere of Garton, his heirs and assigns, of her rights in 1 acre in Peterborough towards Eastwood in *Middelwong*, which Simon bought of Adam (cf. no. 35), lying between the land of Alice of Scotter and of William of the Green, abutting at one end on the almoner's headland and on Hugh Pike's at the other. *Late 13th century*

<sup>1</sup> *Cultura* usually means 'furlong'; here, evidently, it is used for a large field.

<sup>2</sup> 'of Werrington' in no. 149; although his father was 'of Walton' in 144.

<sup>3</sup> The rent is made payable to William (presumably Spicer)—no doubt an error for Richard.

<sup>4</sup> 'Agnes Gere, a villein, holds it. [Later] She surrendered it to the abbot for [?] on the occasion of] Richard With's fine about land in Werrington in 1348-9 and it is [now] let at farm to Margery Meriden.' Presumably Agnes made an exchange of these 3 roods for land in Werrington.

Item Agnes quondam uxor Ade filii Roberti de Newerck in sua libera uiduetate remisit et quietum clamauit Simoni Ger' de Carton, heredibus et assignatis suis (remisit et quietum clamauit Simoni Ger' de<sup>e</sup>) totum ius et clamium quod habuit in una acra terre in campis de Burgo [*f. 8*] uersus Estwode in Middelwong, quam predictus Simon Gere quondam emit de Ada filio Roberti de Newerck, iacentem inter terram Alicie de Scoter' et terram Willelmi de le Grene, et abuttat uno capite uersus (*sic*) super foreram elemosinarii de Burgo et alio super foreram Hugonis Pik; habendam etc. Cum warentia et sine data. (Mariota lere tenet, natiua. Mariota Ier' et Matilda Ier' reddiderunt in manum domini, anno H(enrici) abbatis xj et affirmatur. Reddit capelle Beate Marie *jd.*)<sup>1</sup>

*Date.* After no. 35.

38. Lease indented by Thomas Blome to Thomas Pertr' and Alice his wife, their executors and assigns, of 4 selions at the *Hawegate* between the land of Matilda Spechel and of Richard Cokay, abutting at one end on the land of Richard of Crowland and at the other on the royal road to Dogsthorpe.  
*Early 14th century*

Item Thomas Blome dimisit ad firmam et tradidit per indenturam Thome Pertr' et Alicie uxori sue, executoribus et eorum assignatis quatuor seliones terre iacentes apud le Hawegate inter terram Matilde Spechil et terram Ricardi Cokay, et abuttant uno capite super terram Ricardi de Croylande et alio super uiam regiam que ducit uersus Dodesthorp; habendas etc. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Pendesham emit etc.)

*Date.* Richard of Crowland was son of Benedict of Eye, a manumitted villein, who had married the sister of Abbot Godfrey of Crowland. The abbot enfeoffed Richard with the Walton holding (one quarter of a knight's fee; P, p. 142). Richard occurs as bailiff of Boroughbury in 1300-1 (Abbot's Receiver's Acct.), did homage for his holding in Walton in March 1308/9 (V2, f. 50<sup>v</sup>), and died in 1346 (F, p. 318). Richard Cokay, Matilda Spechel, and Thomas Blome occur in 1320-1 (no. 45), and Matilda also in 1290 (no. 488) and c. 1303 (no. 121). If Thomas succeeded John Blome (cf. nos. 39, 43), this must be later than 1311-12 (no. 39).

39. Lease indented for ten years by John Blome to Matilda widow of Walter of Alwalton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough by Garton, between the land of Reginald of Papley and of Richard of Crowland, abutting at one end on the abbot's land and at the other on Robert Alred's.  
*1311-12*

Item Johannes Blome dimisit ad firmam et tradidit per indenturam Matilde (natiua<sup>1</sup>) quondam uxori Walteri de Alwalton unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo iuxta Carton, inter terram Reginaldi de Pappelle et terram Ricardi de Croylond, et abuttat uno capite super terram domini abbatis de Burgo et alio super terram Roberti Alred; habendam usque ad finem decem annorum etc. Cum warentia et data anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) quinto.

40. Grant by Agnes widow of Robert of Woodston in free widowhood to Adam Cook of Peterborough, his heirs and assigns, of 4 selions in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, by the 13 selions in the same furlong which she previously sold by charter to Master Adam Cook and his heirs on one side, and the land which she held by gift of Robert of Ufford her father on the other, abutting at one end on the path to Eastwood and at the other . . . towards the west; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 1d., doubled for relief.  
*c. 1275-90*

Item Agnes condam uxor Roberti de Wodeston in libera uiduetate dedit etc. Ade Coco de Burgo, heredibus et assignatis, quatuor seliones terre

<sup>1</sup> \*Mariota Gere, a villein, holds it. Later Mariota and Matilda Gere surrendered it to the abbot in 1348-9, and it is let out at farm. It pays 1d. rent to the Lady Chapel.\*

iacentes in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, iuxta tredecim seliones terre de eadem cultura quas eidem magistro Ade Coco et heredibus suis alias uendidit per cartam suam ex parte una et terram quam habuit de dono Roberti de Ufforde patris sui ex altera, et abuttat (*sic*) uno capite super semitam per quam itur apud Estwode et alio . . .<sup>a</sup> uersus occidentem; tenendas de se et heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum denarium ad duos terminos, et pro releuio firma unius anni dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* cf. no. 22. For Robert of Ufford, cf. P, p. 79.

41. Lease indented for five years by William son of John of Brighthurst to John of Norfolk and Alice his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 2½ acres lying together in Peterborough in a furlong called *Ryggeweie*, between the land of the vicar of Peterborough and William's own land. 1311-12

Item Willelmus filius Johannis de Brynghirst dimisit ad firmam et tradidit per indenturam Johanni de Norfolk et Alicie uxori eius, heredibus et assignatis, duas acras et dimidiam terre coniunctim iacentes in campis de Burgo in una cultura que uocatur *Ryggeweie*, inter terram uicarii de Burgo et terram dicti Willelmi ex altera; habendas usque ad terminum v annorum. Cum warentia et data anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) quinto.

42. Grant by Robert le Wortecok of Peterborough to Stephen Piteman of Peterborough, clerk, of 1 acre in Peterborough, between the abbot's land on the south and land once Nigel of Wingham's on the north; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.*, doubled for relief. *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus le Wortecok de Burgo dedit etc. Stephano Piteman [*f. 8<sup>v</sup>*] de Burgo clerico unam dimidiam acram terre arabilis iacentem in campis de Burgo, inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex parte australi et terram quondam Nigelli de Wengham ex parte boreali; tenendam de se et heredibus, reddendo sibi uel heredibus *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos, et firma pro releuio dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290. The donor occurs in 1266 (F, p. 32); the recipient in 1246-66 (no. 46) and 1262-77 (N, f. 156). Robert Wortecok (?) and Nigel of Wingham (not 'quondam') occur in no. 6.

43. Lease for one life by Alice widow of John Blome of Peterborough in free widowhood to Richard Cokay of the same of 1½ acres in Peterborough lying together in the *Stibbynges*, between Richard's own land and Matilda Spechel's; to hold of Alice and her heirs. *Probably 1311-20*

Item Alicia quondam uxor Johannis Blome de Burgo dimisit ad firmam in sua libera uiduetate et tradidit Ricardo Cokay de eadem unam acram et dimidiam terre coniunctim iacentes in campis de Burgo, uidelicet in le *Stibbynges*, inter terram predicti Ricardi et terram Matilde Spechel; habendam de predicta Alicia et heredibus suis ad totam uitam predicti Ricardi. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cokay and Matilda Spechel both occur in nos. 38 and 45, and it may well be that this is a lease of the same property. The donor's late husband is presumably the John Blome of no. 39-1311-12; and no. 45 a new lease by their successor of the same property.

44. Grant by Agnes widow of Robert of Woodston, merchant, in free widowhood to Master Adam Cook of Peterborough, his heirs and assigns, of 2 acres in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, between the land once held by Benedict Hoket of Peterborough and her own land which she held by gift of Robert of Ufford her father, abutting at one end on the royal road from Peterborough to Eye; to be held of herself and her heirs, for an annual rent of 2*d.*, doubled for relief. *c. 1275-90*

<sup>a</sup> Some words seem to be missing.

Item Agnes quondam uxor Roberti de Wodeston mercatoris in sua libera uiduitate dedit etc. magistro Ade Coco de Burgo, heredibus et assignatis suis, duas acras terre iacentes in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram quondam Benedicti Hoket de Burgo et terram suam quam habuit de dono Roberti Ufforde patris sui, et abuttant uno capite super regiam uiam per quam itur de Burgo apud Eye; tenendas de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus duos denarios ad duos terminos, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See nos. 22, 40.

45. Lease indented for the lives of both the lessees by Thomas Blome to Roger Gocelyn and Alice his wife of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Peterborough in the *Stibbynges*, between the land of Richard Cokay and of Matilda Spechel, abutting at one end on the land of Richard of Crowland and on the other on Garton *gate*; to be held of Thomas (see nos. 38, 43). 1320-1

Item Thomas Blome dimisit ad firmam et tradidit per indenturam Rogero Gocelyn et Alicie uxori eius unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Burgo in le Stibbynges, inter terram Ricardi Cokay et terram Matilde Spechel, et abuttant uno capite super terram Ricardi de Croyland et alio super Carton-gate; habendam de predicto Thoma ad totam uitam utriusque eorum antedictorum. Cum warentia et data anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi quartodecimo.

46. Grant by Nicholas son of William of Upton to Thurnerd son of Augustine of Deeping of a messuage with courtyard and croft in Garton, lying between the messuage of Simon of Upton his brother and the messuage of William Champeneys, extending from the royal road to the headland once Hugh Flori's; to be held of the abbot with the following rents: from Geoffrey Russel, Steward of Peterborough, 2s. for 7 acres in Paston; from Robert de la Carnaile (*al.* Karnayle), 6d. for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres; from William his son, 8d. for a messuage with courtyard,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow, and 3 roods of arable; from Thurnerd himself, 8d. for the same messuage and appurtenances; from Simon of Upton his brother, 8d. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable; from Alice of Scotter, 12d. for 6 acres of arable; from Walter Peny, 2d. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre; from Edith Wateman, 8d. for 2 acres of arable,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow, and a toft with appurtenances; from Thomas of Derby, 6d. for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow; from Thomas Dusing, 2d. for a toft with appurtenances; from Richard Gere, 6d. for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres; from Thomas, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre; from Ascelin Hervy, 2d. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow; from William Spicer, 2d. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre; from Robert Osgot, 12d. for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres; from Robert of Newark, 2d. for 1 acre; from Stephen Piteman, 4d. for 1 acre; from William Godmel, 2d. for  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow; from Thomas atte Green, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. for 2 acres of meadow and 1 acre of arable; with full rights, for an annual rent to the abbot of 8s. 8d. and 2s. to the *Newbyry* (? new manor house) of Werrington for the 7 acres which the steward holds (see nos. 47, 49). 1246-66

Item Nicholaus filius Willelmi de Upton dedit etc. Thurnerdo filio Augustini de Depyng quoddam mesuagium cum curtilagio et crofto in Carton quod iacet inter mesuagium Simonis de Upton fratris sui et mesuagium Willelmi Champeneys, et extendit se a regia uia usque ad forarium quondam Hugonis Flury; habendum etc. de domino abbati (*sic*), cum redditibus, uidelicet, de Galfrido Russel, senescallo Burgi, ijs. ad quatuor terminos usuales pro vij acris terre in campis de Paston; (de) Roberto de la Carnaile vjd. ad iiij terminos pro tribus dimidiis acris terre; de Willelmo filio suo viijd. ad iiij terminos [*f.* 9] pro uno mesuagio cum curtilagio et una dimidia acra prati et una triroda terre; et de dicto Thurnerdo viijd. ad quatuor terminos pro predicto mesuagio cum pertinenciis; de Simone de Upton fratre suo viijd. ad quatuor terminos pro una dimidia acra prati et una acra et dimidia terre arabilis; de Alicia de Scotere xijd. ad quatuor terminos pro sex acris terre arabilis; de Waltero Peny ijd. ad quatuor terminos pro una dimidia acra terre; de Eda Wateman viijd. ad quatuor terminos pro duabus acris terre et una dimidia acra prati et pro uno tofto cum pertinenciis; de Thoma de Dereby vjd.

ad quatuor terminos pro una <acra> et dimidia terre arabilis et una dimidia acra prati; de Thoma Dusing *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro uno tofto cum pertinenciis; de Ricardo Ger' *vjd.* ad quatuor terminos pro tribus dimidiis acris terre; de Thoma *iid.* et obolum ad tres terminos pro una dimidia acra terre; de Ascelino Heruy *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro una dimidia acra prati; de Willelmo spiciario *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro una dimidia acra terre; de Roberto Osgot *xijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro quatuor acris terre una roda minus; de Roberto de Newerk *ijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro una acra terre; de Stephano Pitman *iiijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro una acra terre; de Willelmo Godmel *ijd.* ad eosdem terminos pro una dimidia acra prati; de Thoma ad le Grene *vijd.* et obolum ad eosdem terminos pro duabus acris (prati<sup>1</sup>) et una terre; et cum omni iure et clamio que sibi de dicto tenemento cum pertinenciis et cum omnibus aliis prenomatis aliquo casu contingente poterunt accidere; reddendo inde annuatim pro me et heredibus meis domino abbati de Burgo pro dicto mesuagio cum pertinenciis *vijjs.* et *vijjd.* ad quatuor terminos, et ad le Newbyry de Wytheryngton *ijs.* ad eosdem terminos pro septem acris terre quas senescallus tenet. Cum warentia et sine data.

(At the foot of f. 8<sup>v</sup> in the middle of the abstract of the above document is the following note: Elena le Bidel reddidit domino totum istum redditum ut dicunt quia non potuit leuare. Robertus Bidel filius eius et Roberti de Landeford dicti Bidel. In the margin near the name Thomas Dusing: Johannes de Ramesey.<sup>1</sup>)

Date. Geoffrey Russel was steward from c. 1250 (1246 at earliest) to 1264-6 (see p. 226).

47. Quit-claim by Ellen widow of Robert of Langford in free widowhood to the abbot and convent of her rights in all reliefs, rents, and escheats proceeding from the lands and tenements which Petronilla widow of William Conversus granted to her husband and herself, as laid out in Thurnerd son of Augustine's charter to William and Petronilla.<sup>1</sup>

8 March 1321/2

Item Elena quondam uxor Roberti de Landeford in sua libera uiduitate remisit et quietum clamauit domino abbati de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentui totum ius et clamium quod habuit in omnibus releuiis, redditionibus, escaetis de terris et tenementis que Petronilla, quondam uxor Willelmi Conuersi, Roberto de Langeford quondam marito suo et sibi dedit prouenientibus, ut in quadam carta dictorum Willelmi et Petronille per Thurnerdum filium Augustini facta plenius continetur. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die Lune proxima ante festum Sancti Gregorii Pape anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) quintodecimo. (Bidell' de Burgbiri.<sup>1</sup>)

48. Quit-claim of the same rights (as in no. 47) by Robert son of Robert of Langford.

14 March 1321/2

[f. 9<sup>v</sup>] Item Robertus filius Roberti de Landeford remisit etc. predictis abbati et conuentui totum ius quod habuit in predictis tenementis. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die Dominica post festum Sancti Gregorii anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) quintodecimo.

49. Quit-claim by Petronilla widow of William Conversus of Peterborough in free widowhood to Robert of Langford and Ellen his wife and the heirs of the same Robert of her rights in a tenement with croft attached in Garton, and in all the rents which Thurnerd her father gave her at the church gate<sup>2</sup> in frank marriage with William Conversus; to be held of the chief lords for an annual rent of 8s. 8d. (cf. nos. 46, 47).

25 June 1294

<sup>1</sup> Thurnerd's charter does not survive. But Petronilla's quit-claim proves that the property in question is that described in no. 46 (cf. in particular the rent-charge of 8s. 8d.).

<sup>2</sup> The MS. reads 'hostillariam ecclesie', the church's guest-house, which makes no sense; the context demands 'the church's gate' or door, where brides were given in marriage (and see no. 253 n.).

Item Petronilla condam uxor Willelmi Conuersi de Burgo in libera uiduitate sua remisit etc. predicto Roberto de Landeford et Elene uxori sue et heredibus dicti Roberti totum ius etc. quod habuit in quodam tenemento et crofto adiacente in Carton, et in omnibus redditibus que (*sic*) Thurnerdus pater suus sibi dedit ad hostillariam<sup>a</sup> ecclesie, in libero maritagio cum Willelmo Conuerso; habendum de capitalibus dominis, reddendo annuatim viijs. et viij*d.* ad quatuor anni terminos. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die Ueneris proxima post festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo secundo.

50. Grant by William son of Berengar of Eastfield to William son of Launcelin of Dogsthorpe of 1 selion in his assart (i.e. Berengar's 'Stubbyng'), lying between his own land and William's, abutting at one end on the land which Peter Peny bought from Nicholas of Upton and at the other on *Mucledich*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 4*d.* *Before 1290*

Item Willelmus filius Berengarii<sup>b</sup> de Estfeld dedit etc. Willelmo filio Launcelini de Dodesthorp unam selionem terre in suo assarto iacentem inter terram suam et terram eiusdem Willelmi, et abuttat (uno capite) super terram quam Petrus Peny emit de Nicholao de Upton et alio super *Mucledich*; tenendam de me et heredibus meis, reddendo michi et heredibus annuatim iij*d.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Both parties lived in the second half of the century (see p. lxii; no. 15); Nicholas of Upton occurs in the third quarter (no. 46). All three were sons of men who occurred in the Surveys.

51. Grant by Agnes widow of Robert of Woodston in free widowhood to Master Adam Cook of Peterborough of 6 selions in Peterborough in assarts towards Eastwood, between the land once Benedict Hoket's on the south and her own land on the north, abutting at one end on the royal road from Peterborough to Eye; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.* *c. 1275-90*

Item Agnes quondam uxor Roberti de Wodeston in sua libera uiduitate dedit etc. magistro Ade Coco in Burgo sex seliones terre iacentes in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram quondam Benedicti Hoket ex parte australi et terram suam ex parte aquilonari, et uno capite abuttant super uiam regiam per quam itur de Burgo apud Eye; tenendas de me et heredibus, reddendo michi et heredibus ij*d.* ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Apparently the same transaction as no. 44.

52. Quit-claim by Thomas Hall of Peterborough to Alice his daughter and her heirs of the whole tenement which he had by 'the law of England'<sup>1</sup> after the death of Isabel de la Kernayle (Karnayle) her mother in Peterborough, Walton, Paston, Dogsthorpe, and Newark, with all its appurtenances; services to be rendered to the lords of the fees (cf. nos. 54-55). *1 October 1282 (or 30 September 1316)*

Item Thomas Haule (de aula<sup>1</sup>) in Burgo concessit et quietum clamauit Alicie filie sue totum tenementum quod habuit per legem Anglie post mortem Isabelle de la Kernayle (Karnayle<sup>1</sup>) matris sue in Burgo, Walton, Paston, Dodisthorp et Newerk, cum omnibus suis pertinenciis; tenendum sibi et heredibus, reddendo inde annuatim dominis feod(or)um seruicia debita. Sine

<sup>a</sup> *sic*, perhaps for (h)ostium.

<sup>b</sup> *sic*, perhaps for filius Thome Berengarii.

<sup>1</sup> 'By the law of England' or 'by the courtesy of England' a husband had a life-interest in his wife's holdings, so long as a child had been born to the marriage. This interest was often (as presumably here) treated as a wardship, to be relinquished when the child came of age; but this the father was not bound to do, and he held his 'courtesy' whether the child lived or not (Pollock and Maitland, ii. 414 ff.).



warentia, data die Jouis proxima post festum Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Ed(wardi) decimo.

*Date.* This depends on which Edward was the king of the dating clause. A Thomas Hall occurs frequently in the mid thirteenth century, and is mentioned in no. 29, of ?c. 1285-90. The form of date (simply 'regis Edwardi') and the context (no. 53) perhaps give a slight presumption in favour of the earlier date; the absence of subinfeudation may tell in favour of the later. 3 October 1336 is unlikely, though not perhaps impossible.

53. Grant by John the Almoner of Peterborough to Ralph of Berkhamstead, his heirs and assigns, of a messuage in Peterborough, lying on Westgate between the messuage of Simon le Feuer' and the messuage of Robert Chapman, which he had by grant of Robert Gere; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 7½d. 8 August 1282

Item Johannes le Aumener de Burgo concessit et confirmavit Radulpho [f. 10] de Berkamstede et heredibus et assignatis suis unum mesuagium in Burgo iacentem (*sic*) apud le Westgate inter mesuagium Simonis le Feuer' et mesuagium Roberti le Chapman, quod quidem mesuagium habuit de dono Roberti Ger'; tenendum et habendum de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus vijd. et obolum ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia, acta die Sabbati proxima post festum Sancti Oswaldi anno regni regis Edwardi decimo.

*Date.* The alternative dates would be 1316 or 1336; but this charter should be before 1290, and John the Almoner was alive on 6 January 1281/2 (F, p. 46), and dead before c. 1296 (no. 4). This rent was quit-claimed to the abbot by Adam the Almoner in 1333 (P, pp. 12-13).

54. Quit-claim, indented, by Thomas Hall (as no. 52).

1282 (or 1316)

Item Thomas de Haule concessit et quietum clamavit per indenturam Alicie filie sue quoddam<sup>a</sup> tenementum quod habuit post mortem Isabelle matris sue in uill(is) Burgi, Walton, Paston, Dodisthorp et Newerk; tenendum sibi, heredibus et assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim seruicia dominis feodorum. Sine warentia et sine data.

55. Quit-claim, indented, by Thomas Hall (as no. 54).

1282 (or 1316)

Item Thomas Haule concessit per indenturam et omnino quietum clamavit Alicie filie sue totum tenementum quod habuit post mortem Isabelle matris sue in uill(is) Burgi, Walton, Paston, Dodisthorp et Newerk; tenendum sibi, heredibus et assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim dominis feodorum seruicia debita. Sine warentia et sine data.

56. Grant by Thomas son of Master Adam<sup>1</sup> Cook of Peterborough to John son of Geoffrey of Haddon, Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of a messuage in Peterborough with buildings lying in Cumbergate, between the messuage once held by Thomas of Ailsworth on the north and the messuage once held by William Carter on the south, extending from the royal road to the holding once Christiana le Cokys'; to be held of the abbot for an annual rent of 10s. 15 March 1292/3

Item Thomas filius magistri <Ade><sup>b</sup> Coci de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni filio Galfridi de Haddone, Edithe uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis unum mesuagium in Burgo cum edificiis iacens apud le Comberegate, inter mesuagium quondam Thome de Eylysworth (Nicholaus de Eylesworth filius<sup>1</sup>) ex parte aquilonari et mesuagium quondam Willelmi le Carecter ex parte australi, et extendit se a uia regia in longitudine usque ad tenementum quondam Christiane le Cokys; tenendum de domino abbate de Burgo, reddendo domino

<sup>a</sup> MS. reads quod, perhaps a mistake for totum (cf. no. 52).

<sup>b</sup> om. MS.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. above, nos. 40, 44, 51; but Thomas may be the correct reading both here and in no. 57.

abbati xs. argenti. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Gregorii Pape anno regni regis Edwardi) uicesimo primo.

*Date.* The alternative date would be 1346/7, which is probably too late for the collection. A Thomas Cook occurs in 1302, 1315, 1329, and 1333 (V2, f. 48; F, pp. 118-19; P, pp. 12, 13, 27 n.).

57. Grant by Hugh son of Geoffrey le Daubur of Peterborough to Thomas son of Master (Adam) Cook of Peterborough and his heirs of a messuage with buildings (as no. 56).  
1290-3

Item Hugo filius Galfridi le Daubur de Burgo dedit etc. Thome filio magistri Thome<sup>a</sup> Coci de Burgo et heredibus suis unum mesuagium cum edificiis in Burgo iacens apud Comberegat, inter mesuagium quondam Thome de Eylisworth et mesuagium quondam Willelmi le Carecter, et extendit se in longitudine a uia regia usque ad tenementum quondam Christiane le Cokys; tenendum de domino abbate de Burgo, reddendo annuatim predicto domino et successoribus eius decem solidos [*f. 10<sup>v</sup>*] ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* After 1290, before no. 56; possibly nos. 56 and 57 were a part of a single transaction.

58. Grant by Abbot William and the convent (given in full in no. 546).<sup>1</sup> 1246-9

Item Willelmus abbas Burgi Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus concesserunt et per cartam confirmauerunt Galfrido Daubur et heredibus suis pro seruicio suo quoddam mesuagium in Burgo, illud scilicet quod situm est inter domum quondam Henrici Megresaue et domum quondam Roberti le Chaumbyrleyn in Comberegat; tenendum de illis et de successoribus eorum etc., reddendo inde annuatim camere abbatis xs. ad quatuor terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

59. Grant by Richard le Suoyn (? Sueyn) of Peterborough to Robert Butcher of Peterborough and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre by Boroughbury towards the Conduit,<sup>2</sup> with the land of Nicholas the Rede on either side, abutting at one end on Thomas Baker's land and at the other on the brook which runs from the Conduit towards Boroughbury;<sup>3</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.  
Before 1290

Item Ricardus le Suoyn de Burgo dedit etc. Roberto carnifici de Burgo et heredibus unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo iuxta Burubyr uersus le Conduit,<sup>2</sup> inter terram Nicholai le Rede ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super terram Thome pistoris et alio super riuulum qui currit del Conduit uersus Burubyr;<sup>3</sup> tenendam de (me<sup>o</sup>) se et heredibus, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis jd. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably late in the century: for Robert Butcher cf. no. 75; for Richard Sueyn (Sweyn) nos. 1, 115; for Thomas Baker, nos. 19, 95.

60. Lease indented for four years by Thomas of Louth to Geoffrey son of Robert of Southorpe of his whole holding in the parish of Peterborough, for an annual rent of 30s.  
8 April 1293

Item Thomas de Luda dimisit et ad firmam tradidit per indenturam Galfrido filio Roberti de Suthorp totum tenementum quod habuit infra

<sup>a</sup> sic, probably for Ade (see no. 56 n.).

<sup>1</sup> The abstract is accurate, save that it omits a rent of 2s. per annum to the altar of St. Mary.

<sup>2</sup> Boroughbury conduit adjoining the water mill and fish-ponds near the manor house (W. T. M.).

<sup>3</sup> The stream which turned the water-wheel and after passing through the fish-ponds into the Swan's pool flowed by the west wall of the monastery and on the east side of Hithegate or Bridge Street to the river Nene (W. T. M.).

parochiam<sup>a</sup> de Burgo; tenendum ad terminum quatuor annorum, reddendo inde annuatim predicto Thome et heredibus ~~xxxs.~~ sterlingorum ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Mercurii in crastino diei Martis que dicitur Hokeday, anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo primo.

*Date.* The alternative dates (1347 and 1347/8) for nos. 60-61 are too late for the collection. A Geoffrey son of Robert of Southorpe died before 1254 (P, p. 70 n.). It is just possible that nos. 60-61 really belong to Henry III's reign.

61. Receipt by Thomas of Louth of Greatford and Alice his wife from the sacrist for £4. 10s. as the farm for three years for the holding in Peterborough which they had leased to him (see no. 60).  
27 January 1293/4

Item Thomas de Luda in Gretford et Alicia uxor eius receperunt de sacrista de Burgo iij/l. et xs. argenti de firma trium annorum pro trirod(e)<sup>b</sup> tenement(o) quod ei tradiderunt ad firmam in uilla de Burgo. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die Sancti Juliani episcopi anno regni regis <Edwardi> uicesimo secundo.

62. Grant by Adam Joye of Peterborough and Sarah his wife to William atte Green of Dogsthorpe, Alice his wife and their heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough in the furlong called *Synecroft* between the land of Amice daughter of the late Roger Doungerus and of Walter of Oxney, abutting at one end on the meadow of the lord of Gunthorpe and at the other on the land of Simon Gere; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of 1d., doubled for relief.  
? c. 1275-90

Item Adam Joye de Burgo et Sarra uxor sua dederunt etc. Willielmo al Grene de Dodisthorp, Alicie uxori sue et heredibus unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in una cultura que uocatur *Synecroft* inter terram Amicie filie condam Rogeri Doungerus<sup>1</sup> et terram Walteri de Oxeneye, et abuttat uno capite super pratum domini de Gunthorp et alio capite super terram Symonis Ier'; tenendam de illis et de heredibus, reddendo illis uel heredibus eorum annuatim unum denarium, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Agnes uxor Ricardi Priour.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. no. 22. The mention of William atte Green fits a date not long before 1290, and Robert, son of Walter of Oxney, made a fine relating to land in Peterborough on 3 Dec. 1308 (V2, f. 90<sup>v</sup>). The property must have been very close to that of no. 113.

63. Grant by Robert of Marholm of Peterborough to Ralph Carpenter of Bainton of Peterborough and Isabel his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough with John Inpry's land on either side, abutting at one end on the Conduit ditch; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.  
9 October 1298

[f. 11] Item Robertus de Marham de Burgo Sancti Petri dedit etc. Radulpho carpentario de Badyngton in Burgo et Isabelle uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis suis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo inter terram Johannis Inpry ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super fossatum de le Condu; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino debitum seruicium. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Jouis proxima post festum Translacionis Sancti Hugonis anno regni regis Ed(wardi) uicesimo sexto.

*Date.* The alternative, 1352, is too late for the collection. John Inpry occurs in 1299 (F, pp. 83-84).

<sup>a</sup> parochian' MS.

<sup>b</sup> sic: trirod' should evidently have been cancelled.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. P, p. 12.

64. Grant by — in the Hyrne<sup>1</sup> of Peterborough, son of William of Thorn, to Robert of Pickenham, merchant, his heirs and assigns, of a toft in Peterborough on Westgate, between the toft of William Marshal and the abbot's furlong, extending from the royal road to St. Leonard's Hospital<sup>2</sup> to the abbot's furlong; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 7d. Before 1290

Item in angulo (sic)<sup>a</sup> de Burgo filius Willelmi de Thorn dedit etc. Roberto de Pikenham mercatori, heredibus et assignatis suis, unum toftum in Burgo iacens apud le Westgate inter toftum Willelmi Marescalli et culturam abbatis de Burgo, et extendit se a uia regia que ducit uersus hospitale Sancti Leonardi in longitudine usque ad culturam predicti domini abbatis; tenendum de se et de heredibus, reddendo annuatim vijd. ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia.

Date. William Marshal occurs in 1285 (no. 65).

65. Grant by William Marshal of Peterborough to Nicholas Pyel of Irthlingborough of his messuage in Peterborough in *Hythegate* (Bridge St.) with buildings, lying between the messuage of William Tailor and the messuage of Ralph Dochilde, abutting at one end on the royal road called *Hythegate* and at the other on the garden which was Richard of *Scotendon's*; to be held of the chief lord, for an annual rent to the abbot of 12s., and to the infirmarer of 3s. and 1 lb. of pepper, and to the warden of the altar of St. Mary in the abbey church of 4s. (see no. 68). 10 September 1285

Item Willelmus Marescallus de Burgo dedit etc. Nicholao Pyel in Irtyllyngburg mesuagium suum in Burgo in le Hythegate cum edificiis, iacens inter mesuagium Willelmi cissoris et mesuagium Radulphi Dochilde, et abuttat uno capite super uiam regiam que uocatur Hythegate et alio super gardinum quod fuit Ricardi de Scottyndon; tenendum de capitali domino, reddendo domino abbati de Burgo et successoribus eius annuatim xijs. ad quatuor anni terminos, et reddendo custodi infirmarie de Burgo qui pro tempore (fuerit) iij.s. ad terminos supradictos et unam libram piperis die Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, et custodi altaris Beate Marie in ecclesia de Burgo similiter qui pro tempore fuerit iij.s. ad terminos supradictos. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Lune proxima post festum Natiuitatis Beate Marie, anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis Henrici terciodecimo.

66. Quit-claim by Robert Heryng of Ellington to Nicholas Pyel of Irthlingborough and his heirs of a messuage in Peterborough which he took from William Stainsby on a lease for his life.<sup>3</sup> 16 September 1296<sup>4</sup>

Item Robertus Heryng de Alyngton remisit et quietum clamauit Nicholao Pyel de Hyrthelyngburg et heredibus suis unum mesuagium in Burgo quod cepit de Willelmo Stanesby ad terminum uite sue. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Hillari pape anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo quarto.

67. Quit-claim by Robert Heryng of Ellington and Joanna his wife (as no. 66) of a mesuage with buildings in *Hythegate* (Bridge St.) Peterborough, which they took from William of Stainsby on a lease for their lives; to be held of the chief lord. 1296 (c. 16 September 1296)

Item Robertus Heryng de Alyngton et Johanna uxor sua remiserunt et omnino quietum clamauerunt Nicholao Pyel de Irthelyngburg totum ius et

<sup>a</sup> The donor's Christian name is missing.

<sup>1</sup> See below, no. 196 n.

<sup>2</sup> The lepers' hospital near the site of Spital Bridge (the road is now known as Westwood Street) (W. T. M.). See also Morton, pp. xxviii, xxix, and *passim*.

<sup>3</sup> The nature of Stainsby's claim is not clear; the messuage may be the same as in nos. 65, 68 (cf. no. 67).

<sup>4</sup> St. Hilarus was normally commemorated on 10 Sept., but sometimes on 20 or 21 Feb. (*Acta Sanctorum*, Sept., iii. 553); the alternative date would be 26 Feb. 1295/6.

clanium quod habuerunt in uno mesuagio cum edificiis in uilla de Burgo iacens (*sic*) in le Hydegate, quod ceperunt de Willelmo de Stanesby ad terminum uite eorum; tenendum de capitali domino. Sine warentia, [*f. 11<sup>v</sup>*] data apud Burgum Sancti Petri anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis Henrici uicesimo quarto.

68. Lease indented for life by Nicholas son of John Pyel to William Marshal of Peterborough of all his holding in *Hydegate* (Bridge St.) with buildings, except the house which Roger Rokbot held of him on the north, and the room beyond the gate and a shop with two rooms between the gate of the holding and the messuage of William Tailor; to be held of Nicholas for an annual rent of 1 mark.<sup>1</sup>  
16 September 1285

Item Nicholaus filius Johannis Pyel de Irthelyngburg dimisit ad firmam et tradidit per indenturam Willelmo dicto Marescallo de Burgo totum tenementum suum quod habuit in Hydegate cum edificiis, excepta domo quam Rogerus Rokbot de ipso tenuit ex parte boriali, excepto similiter solario ultra portam et quadam scoppa cum duobus solariis inter portam dicti tenementi et mesuagium Willelmi le Taylour; tenendum de dicto Nicholao ad terminum uite sue, reddendo inde annuatim dicto Nicholao et heredibus unam marcam ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum Sancti Petri die Dominica proxima post (festum) Exaltacionis Sancte Crucis anno regni regis Edwardi terciodecimo.

69. Grant by Alice widow of William Launcelin of Peterborough in free widowhood to John of Stanton of Peterborough, Alice his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in *Bethweyth*, between the land of Robert Alred and that once Alexander of Colston's, abutting at one end on the land of Ascelin Mason and at the other on the land of Richard atte Upgate of Dogsthorpe; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.  
19 October 1317

Item Alicia quondam uxor Willelmi Launcelyn de Burgo in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Johanni de Stanton de eadem, Alicie uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis suis, unam acram terre iacentem in Bethweyth inter terram Roberti Alred ex una parte et terram quondam Alexandri de Colston ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Ascelini Masoun et alio capite super terram Ricardi atte Upgate de Dodisthorp; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Mercurii proxima post festum Sancte Luce Euangeliste anno regni regis Ed(wardi) filii regis Ed(wardi) undecimo.

70. Grant by Alice widow of John of Stanton of Peterborough to Richard Lord of Peterborough, Joan his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Peterborough in *Bethweyth*, between the land of Richard son of Hawise in le Wro and of John of Ramsey, abutting at one end on the land of Ralph Mason and at the other on land once Richard atte Upgate's; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.<sup>2</sup>  
21 November 1339

Item Alicia quondam uxor Johannis de Staunton de Burgo dedit etc. Ricardo Lord de eodem, Johanne uxori eius, heredibus et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in Bethweyth inter terram Ricardi filii Auicie in le Wro ex una parte et terram Johannis de Rameseye ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Radulphi Masoun et alio capite super<sup>a</sup> terram quondam Ricardi atte Upgate; tenendam de capitali domino per seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum Sancti Petri die

<sup>a</sup> *MS. repeats* et alio capite super.

<sup>1</sup> Doubtless a part of the same transaction as no. 65, although the documents do not reveal the motive for it, nor its precise result. On 16 Feb. 1292/3 Robert son of William Marshal sold the holding to his neighbour, Ralph Dochild, and Beatrice his wife; the bounds and rents are given as in no. 65, save for the 12s. to the abbot (Swa, f. ccxcvj<sup>v</sup>).

<sup>2</sup> No doubt the land is the same as in no. 69.

Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Edmundi regis anno regni regis (Edwardi) tercii a conquestu terciodecimo.

71. Grant by Thomas of Scotter of Peterborough to John of Stanton of Peterborough and Osbern Tailor of Stamford, living in Peterborough, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Dogsthorpe, between the land of the rector of Paston and of Roger Rokbot, abutting at one end on the land of Roger Underwood and at the other on the *Grenegate*; to be held of the chief lord for the service due. 26 July 1315

Item Thomas de Scoter de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni de Staunton de Burgo et Osberno le Taylour de Staunford manenti in Burgo, heredibus eorum et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Dodisthorp inter terram rectoris de Paston ex una parte et terram [f. 12] Rogeri Rokebot ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Roberti Underwode et alio capite super le Grenegate, tenendam de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino serui-cium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Sabbati proxima post festum Sancti Jacobi apostoli anno regni regis (Edwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) nono.

72. Quit-claim by Osbert Tailor of Stamford to Alice widow of John of Stanton of Peterborough of his rights in 1 acre (as in no. 71). 29 March 1329

Item Osbernus le Taylour de Staunford concessit et quietum clamauit Alicie que fuit uxor Johannis de Staunton de Burgo totum ius et clamium in una acra terre iacente in campis de Dodisthorp, inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston et terram Rogeri Rokebot, et abuttat uno capite super terram Roberti Undirwode et alio capite super le Grenegate. Data apud Burgum die Mercurii ante medium Quadragesime anno regni regis Ed(wardi) tercii a conquestu tercio.

73. Grant by Alice of Stanton of Peterborough in free widowhood to Richard son of Hawise in le Wro of Garton, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre (as in no. 71, but for 'of Roger Rokbot' read 'once held by Roger Rokbot'). 11 December 1334

Item Alicia de Staunton de Burgo in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Ricardo filio Auicie in le Wro de Carton, heredibus et assignatis suis, unam acram terre in campis de Dodisthorp iacentem inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston ex una parte et terram quondam Rogeri Rokebot ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Roberti Underwode et alio super le Grenegate, tenendam de capitali domino. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Nicholai episcopi anno regni regis (Edwardi) tercii post conquestum octauo.

74. Quit-claim by Sibyl widow of Gilbert of Fotheringay to William son of Ingerith of Dogsthorpe of her dowry rights in 2 selions of land in Dogsthorpe on *Hidirforlong* towards Eastwood; to be held of herself and her heirs (sec no. 76). Before 1290

Item Sibilla quondam uxor Gilberti de Fodryngeye confirmauit et quietum clamauit Willelmo filio Ingerede de Dodisthorp omne ius quod habuit nomine dotis in duabus selionibus terre iacentibus in campis de Dodisthorp super Hidirfurlong uersus Estwode; tenendum de se et de heredibus. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably late 13th century; for the recipient see p. lxii; for the donor's late husband, nos. 9, 76.

75. Grant by Cecily widow of Adam Reeve of Eye in free widowhood to William atte Green of Garton, Alice his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in 2 adjacent selions in Dogsthorpe, on Middle furlong towards Eastwood, between the land of Adam son of

Robert of Newark and of Robert Butcher of Peterborough, abutting at one end on the almoner's land; to be held of Edith daughter of Thomas Derby, her heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 4*d.*, doubled for relief. *Late 13th century*

Item Cecilia quondam uxor Ade prepositi de Eye in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Willelmo a le Grene de Carton, Alicie uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis eorum, unam acram terre coniunctim in duabus selionibus in campis de Dodisthorp, super culturam que uocatur Middelforlong uersus Estwode, inter terram Ade filii Roberti de Newerk et terram Roberti carnificis de Burgo, et abuttat uno capite super terram elemosinarii de Burgo; tenendam de Edusa filia Thome Dereby, heredibus uel assignatis etc., reddendo inde annuatim iij denarios ad quatuor terminos, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Mention of Edith daughter of Thomas Derby suggests a date later than no. 46. The land of Adam son of Robert of Newark sounds like the land he granted away in no. 35 (before 1290), but the final clause might support a date after 1290. The date given suits William atte Green, Adam son of Robert, Robert Butcher (cf. no. 59), and Edith Derby.

76. Grant by Gilbert of Fotheringay and Sibyl his wife to William son of Ingerith of Dogsthorpe, his heirs and assigns, of 2 selions in Dogsthorpe on Middle furlong towards Eastwood between the land of Simon nephew of Edmund le Ryche<sup>1</sup> and of Robert Tanner, abutting at one end on the almoner's land and at the other on Nicholas of Upton's; to be held of them and their heirs for an annual rent of 4*d.*, 8*d.* for relief (cf. no. 78). *Second half of 13th century*

Item Gilbertus de Fodryngeye et Sibilla uxor sua dederunt etc. [*f. 12<sup>v</sup>*] Willelmo filio Ingerede de Dodisthorp, heredibus et assignatis suis duas seliones terre iacentes in campis de Dodisthorp super Middelfurlong uersus Estwode inter terram Simonis nepotis Edmundi le Ryche et terram Roberti le Tanur, et abuttant uno capite super terram elemosinarii de Burgo et alio super terram Nicholai de Upton; tenendas de (nobis<sup>e</sup>) illis et heredibus (nostris<sup>e</sup>) suis, reddendo illis uel heredibus suis iij*d.* ad quatuor anni terminos, et pro releuio dabunt viij denarios. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before no. 74, q.v.

77. Grant by Aumfrey widow of Richard of Paston to Agnes her daughter of 2 acres in Walton towards Westwood, between Aumfrey's land and the land of Henry Puttok of Walton, for an annual rent of 4*d.* *Probably late 13th century*

Item Aumfrey quondam uxor Ricardi de Paston dedit Agneti filie sue duas acras terre iacentes in campis de Walton uersus Westwode, et iacent inter terram eiusdem Aumfrey et terram Henrici Pittok de Walton, reddendo sibi uel heredibus suis iij*d.* in die Sancti Bartholomei apostoli. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Henry Puttok occurs in the Surveys, but also in 1281 (no. 159)—there may have been two of the same name (cf. no. 126). The *reddendo* clause suggests subinfeudation, which would date the charter before 1290.

78. Grant by William atte Green of Garton to Ralph son of Walter Reeve of Eye of 1 acre lying in 2 adjacent selions in Dogsthorpe towards Eastwood, between the land of Simon Gere of Garton and of Richard of Northampton of Peterborough, abutting the land of the almoner at one end and the *Wodeforlong* at the other; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of 4*d.* (see no. 76). *12 January 1291/2*

Item Willelmus al Grene de Carton dedit etc. Radulpho filio Walteri prepositi de Eye unam acram terre sicut iacet in duas seliones (*sic*) coniunctim in campis de Dodisthorp uersus Estwode, inter terram Simonis Gere de Carton

<sup>1</sup> Probably Simon Gere: see no. 78.

et terram Ricardi de Northampton in Burgo, et abuttat uno capite super terram elemosinarii de Burgo et altero super le Wodeforlong, tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo sibi *iiij*d. ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Dominica proxima post festum Epiphanie anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo.

*Date.* It is most unlikely that both William atte Green and Simon Gere were alive in 20 Edward II (cf. p. lxiii and no. 16n).

79. Grant by Hugh of the Green of Peterborough to John of Walton of Eye, Emma his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre in the fields of Dogsthorpe at *Appeltre* between the land once William of Oundle's and Richard el Wro's, abutting on the road from Dogsthorpe to Paston to the east and on the meadow of Geoffrey Russel of Milton at the other end; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 4d. *Before 1290*

Item Hugo de le Grene de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye, Emme uxori sue et heredibus eorum, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Dodisthorp apud Appeltre, inter terram quondam Willelmi de Undele ex una parte et terram Ricardi el Wro ex altera, et abuttat uno capite uersus orientem super uiam per quam itur de Dodisthorp apud Paston et alio super pratum Galfridi Russel de Milton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi uel heredibus suis *iiij*d. ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus in le Wro<sup>1</sup>).

*Date.* Nos. 79-81 are all before 1290, but none by a great margin. John of Walton occurs 1288 (no. 83) to 1302-3 (no. 18). No. 79 has Richard Wro, father of Simon, who married c. 1303 (nos. 119 ff.); no. 80 is later than 46 (and perhaps 36), since William Spicer is here *quondam*; no. 81 is about or before 1288, since Matilda Pitman is a widow in 81 and her son and heir grantor of 83-84 (1288, 1298).

80. Grant by Hugh atte Green of Peterborough to John of Walton of Eye and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, between his own land and land once held by William Spicer of Peterborough; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d. *Before 1290*

Item Hugo al Grene de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram suam ex parte una et terram quondam Willelmi specarii de Burgo ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi uel heredibus *ij*d. ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus de Walton natiuus tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

81. Grant by Matilda Pitman of Peterborough in free widowhood to John of Walton of Eye, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough in the assarts towards Eastwood, between the land of Ascelin Mason of Peterborough and the *Becheforlong*, abutting on Eastwood at one end and on the headland of Thomas of Barnack at the other; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d. *Before 1290*

Item Matilda Pitman de (Pitman<sup>e</sup>) Burgo in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye et heredibus et assignatis eorum unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in assartis uersus Estwode, inter terram Ascelini cementarii de Burgo ex una parte et le Becheforlong ex [*f. 13*] altera, et abuttat uno capite super Estwode et alio super foreram Thome de Bernak; tenendam de se uel de heredibus, reddendo annuatim sibi uel heredibus duos denarios ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (*f. 12<sup>v</sup>*: Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

82. Quit-claim by Mariota widow of Henry Peverel of Paston in free widowhood to John of Walton of Eye and his heirs of her rights in 2 selions in Paston lying with the land of John of Walton on either side, abutting at one end on *Edwodewell*. *28 October 1293*



Item Mariota quondam uxor Henrici Peuerel de Paston in sua libera uiduitate remisit et quietum clamauit Johanni de Walton in Eye et heredibus suis totum ius et clamium suum quod habuit in duabus sellionibus terre iacentibus in campis de Paston que interiacent terram Johannis de Walton, et abuttant uno capite super Edwodewell. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die apostolorum Symonis et Jude anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo primo. (Ricardus de Walton.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The alternative, 1347, would be too late for the collection and for John of Walton. The Peterborough calendar in Lambeth MS. 198a gives Sts. Simon and Jude's Day as 27 October, but it seems doubtful if the monks and their tenants really celebrated it on that day (other calendars known to us give the usual 28 October).

83. Grant by John son and heir of Matilda Pitman of Peterborough to John of Walton of Eye, Emma his wife, and their heirs of 1 acre in the assarts of Eastwood, with the land of Ascelin Mason of Peterborough on either side, abutting at one end on the road beneath Eastwood and at the other on land once John of Barnack's; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. 29 September 1288

Item Johannes filius et heres Matilde Pytman de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye, Emme uxori et heredibus suis, unam acram terre in assartis de Estwode, iacentem inter terram Ascelini cementarii de Burgo ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super uiam subtus Estwode et alio super terram quondam Johannis de Bernak; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum obolum ad festum Michaelis, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Edwardi sexto decimo. (Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The subinfeudation clause (confirmed by the names of the parties) proves that this cannot date from 1322 or 1342.

84. Grant by John Pitman of Peterborough to John of Walton of Eye and Emma his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough in the *Stibbynges*, between the land of John Pitman and land once held by Robert Medicus of Tansor, abutting to the east on the *Beche* and at the other end on land once held by Thomas of Barnack of Peterborough; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $1d.$  14 September 1298

Item Johannes Pytman de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye et Emme uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis suis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo uidelicet in le *Stibbynges*, inter terram predicti Johannis Pytman ex una parte et terram quondam Roberti medici de Tansouer ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super le *Beche* uersus orientem, et alio capite super terram quondam Thome de Bernak in Burgo; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo capitali domino unum denarium ad Pascha. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum in festo Exaltacionis Sancte Crucis anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo sexto. (Idem.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* 1352 would be too late for the collection and for the parties.

85. Grant by John son of Henry Peverel of Paston (see no. 162) to John of Walton of Eye, Emma his wife, and their heirs, of 8 adjacent selions in the assarts of Paston at *Ediwodewong*, between the land of John Palefrey of Eye and of Geoffrey Testard, abutting at the north on the land of Peter a la Warre and to the south on *Ediwodewell* and on the royal road from the Thwaites to the marsh; to be held of the refectorer for an annual rent of  $6d.$  21 November 1293

Item Johannes filius Henrici Peuerel de Paston dedit etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye, Emme uxori sue et heredibus eorum, octo seliones terre coniunctim iacentes in assartis de Paston apud Ediwodewong, inter terram Johannis Palefrey de Eye ex una parte et terram Galfridi Testard ex altera, et abuttant

uno capite uersus aquilonem super terram Petri a la Warre et alio uersus australem super Ediwodewell et super uiam regiam per quam itur del Thweitis apud mariscum; tenendas de refectorio conuentus de Burgo, reddendo predicto refectorio annuatim et successoribus suis vjd. ad festum Sancti Michaelis. Cum warentia, [f. 13<sup>v</sup>] data apud Burgum die Sabbati proxima post festum Sancti Eadmundi regis et martiris anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo secundo. (f. 13: Idem.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* 1348 would be too late for the collection and apparently for the recipient; and, similarly, the later date is impossible for nos. 87, 89, and 90.

86. Grant by Henry Peverel of Paston and John his son and heir to John of Walton of Eye, Emma his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 6 adjacent selions in assarts in Paston on *Edywodewong* with his own land on both sides, abutting at one end on Peter a la Warre's land and at the other on *Ediwodewell*; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of 6d., doubled for relief. Before 1290

Item Henricus Peuerel de Paston et Johannes filius suus et heres<sup>a</sup> dederunt etc. Johanni de Walton in Eye, Emme uxori sue, heredibus seu assignatis, sex seliones terre coniunctim iacentes in assartis de Paston super *Edywodewong* inter terram suam ex utraque parte, et abuttant uno capite super terram Petri a la Warre et altero super *Ediwodewell*; tenendas de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo illis et heredibus eorum vj denarios ad duos anni terminos, et pro releuio firma unius anni dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* This seems to be the land a part of which was quit-claimed by Peverel's widow in 1293 (no. 82); the parties in any case suggest a date not long before 1290.

87. Quit-claim by Mariota widow of Henry Peverel of Paston in free widowhood to John of Walton of Eye and his heirs of her dowry rights in 2 selions in *Edywodewong*, which Henry her husband sold to John (presumably included in no. 86). 1 August 1295

Item Mariota quondam uxor (Ricardi<sup>c</sup>) Henrici Peuerel de Paston in sua libera uiduitate concessit et quietum clamauit Johanni de Walton de Eye et heredibus suis totum ius et clamium suum quod habuit nomine dotis in duabus selionibus terre in *Edywodewong*, quod Henricus uir suus eidem Johanni uendidit. Sine warentia, data apud (Dodisthorpe<sup>c</sup>) Burgum die Gule Augusti<sup>1</sup> anno regni regis Ed(wardi) uicesimo tercio.

88. Grant by Robert atte Stile of Dogsthorpe to John Palfrey of Eye, Alice his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1½ acres in Paston on the *Stibbynges* towards the *Beche*, between the land of Sir Geoffrey Russel and of Agnes Underwood, abutting at one end on the *Beche* and at the other on the land of Richard Neil of Werrington; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of 2d. (see no. 20). c. 1290-1300

Item Robertus atte Style in Dodisthorp dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey de Eye, Alicie uxori sue, heredibus eorum et assignatis, unam acram et dimidiam terre iacentes in campis de Paston super le *Stibbynges* uersus le *Beche*, inter terram Galfridi Russel militis ex una parte et terram Agnetis Underwode ex altera, et abuttant uno capite super le *Beche* et alio capite super terram Ricardi Neil de Wytheryngton; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo capitali domino duos denarios ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Simon Abbot tenet ex dono Palfrey cum filia sua. Modo J. Abbot seruans de Burgbyri.)

*Date.* The tenendum clause suggests a date after 1290, but all the persons named seem to belong to the late 13th century; if Geoffrey Russel is still alive, it cannot be later than 1300 (P. p. 110 n.). Richard Neil seems to have lived earlier still (see nos. 223, 246); for Agnes Underwood, see no. 20.

<sup>a</sup> hered' MS.

<sup>1</sup> Lammas Day.

89. Grant by John son and heir of Henry Peverel of Paston to John Palfrey of Eye, Alice his wife, and their heirs of 2 selions in Paston in assarts, between land once Andrew Russel's on the west and the land of John Walton of Eye on the east, abutting to the north on the land of Peter de la Warre and to the south on *Edywodewell*; to be held of himself and his heirs, for an annual rent of 2*d.*, doubled for relief.<sup>1</sup> 11 November 1293

Item Johannes filius et heres Henrici Peuerel de Paston dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey de Eye, Alicie uxori sue, heredibus suis, duas seliones terre iacentes in campis de Paston in assartis, inter terram quondam Andree Russel ex parte occidentali et terram Johannis de Walton in Eye ex parte orientali, et abuttant uno capite uersus aquilonem super terram Petri de la Warr' et alio uersus australem super *Edywodewell*; tenendas de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus duos denarios ad duos anni terminos, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Sancti Martini episcopi et confessoris anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo primo. (Ricardus Palfri tenet. Nunc Robertus de Etton. Memorandum de libera terra reseruanda heredibus J. Palfri non obstante fine Robert de Etton.<sup>1</sup>)

90. Grant by John son of Henry Peverel of Paston to John Palfrey of Eye, Alice his wife, and their heirs, of two selions in the assarts of Paston, between land once held by Geoffrey of Barnack and the land of Walter Smith of Eye, abutting to the north on the land of Peter a la Warre and to the south on the *Greneweie* by *Edywodewell*; to be held of the refectorior for an annual rent of 2*d.* 23 November 1293

Item Johannes filius Henrici Peuerel de Paston dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey [f. 14] de Eye, Alicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum, duas seliones terre coniunctim iacentes in assartis de Paston, inter terram quondam Galfridi de Bernak et terram Walteri fabri de Eye, et abuttant uno capite uersus aquilonem super terram Petri a la Warr' et alio uersus austrum super le *Greneweie* iuxta *Edywodewell*; tenendas de refectorario Burgi, reddendo refectorario Burgi duos denarios ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Sancti Clementis pape et martiris anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo secundo. (Alicia Palfri, nunc Robertus de Etton.<sup>1</sup>)

91. Grant by Agnes daughter of Jordan Howold of Peterborough to John Palfrey of Eye, Alice his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre in Newark beneath Eastwood, between the land of Robert of Tansor and John Palfrey's own land, abutting at one end on the *Beche* and at the other on land once held by Walter of Dereham; for an annual rent to Hugh Howold his brother, chief lord of the *fee*, and his heirs of 4*d.* ? c. 1300

Item Agnes filia Jordani Howold de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey de Eye, Alicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Newark subtus Estwode, inter terram Roberti de Tanesouer et terram predicti Johannis Palfrey, et abuttat uno capite super le *Beche* et alio super terram quondam Walteri de Derham; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim Hugoni Howold fratri suo capitali domino feodi et heredibus suis iiij*d.* ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus de Walton.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* John Palfrey was collecting property in the 1290s (nos. 85, 89-90, &c.), and the *red-dendo* clause suggests a date after 1290. A Robert Medicus of Tansor occurs ('quondam') in no. 84 (1298); another Robert of Tansor occurs in 1323 (V1, f. 80).

92. Grant by Robert Spechel of Peterborough to John Palfrey of Eye of 2 adjacent acres in Peterborough in assarts towards Eastwood, between land once held by Jordan Howold of Peterborough to the south and Eastwood to the north, abutting at one end on the *Beche* and at the other on the land of Matilda Piteman of Peterborough; for an annual rent to the chief lord of 8*d.* Late 13th century

<sup>1</sup> Apparently a case of subinfeudation after 1290.

Item Robertus Spechel de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey de Eye duas acras terre coniunctim iacentes in campis de Burgo in assartis iuxta Estwode inter terram quondam Jordani Howold de Burgo ex parte australi et Estwode ex parte aquilonari, et abuttant uno capite super le Beche et alio super terram Matilde Pyteman de Burgo; tenendas etc., reddendo capitali domino viij denarios ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus in le Wro.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Perhaps earlier than no. 91, since the 'land once held by Jordan Howold' may be that which Palfrey acquired in no. 91. Matilda Pitman's son and heir occurs in 1288 (no. 83); and Robert Spechel occurs before 1263 and in 1266 (nos. 526, 528; F, pp. 32-33)—but as he was still being mentioned after 1300 (no. 117), it is likely that there was more than one of the name.

93. Grant by Robert Spechel of Peterborough to John Palfrey, Alice his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre in Peterborough on *Rygeweye*, with the land once held by Benedict Baker of Peterborough on both sides, abutting at one end on the land of William Launcelyn and at the other on the sacrist's; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d. (see nos. 94-95). *Before 1290*

Item Robertus Spechel de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey, Alicie uxori sue et heredibus suis, unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Burgo super Rygeweye, inter terram quondam Benedicti pistoris de Burgo ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super terram Willelmi Launcelyn et alio super terram sacriste de Burgo; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus ijd. ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus de Walton.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 93-95 cannot be far distant from nos. 91-92. Nos. 93-94 seem to be before 1290; 95 may be somewhat later than 94 (it deals with very similar property, but, for what it is worth, 'quondam Benedicti pistoris' has been replaced by 'Thome pistoris'. One Thomas, son and heir of Thomas le Pestour, occurs in 1325 (V1, f. 77)).

94. Grant by Robert Spechel of Peterborough (as no. 93, save that the rent is 4d.; see also 95). *Before 1290*

Item Robertus Spechel de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey de Eye, Alicie uxori sue et heredibus suis, unam acram terre in campis de Burgo super Rygeweye, iacentem inter terram quondam Benedicti pistoris de Burgo ex utraque parte, et abuttat [*f. 14<sup>v</sup>*] uno capite super terram sacriste de Burgo et alio super terram Willelmi Launcelyn; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus iiijd. ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (*At foot of f. 14*: Memorandum de terra quam Ricardus de Croil (and) emit de Johanne Palfri quam nunc tenet J. Loue; medi(etatem) de terra Rogeri Pestour et medi(etatem) de Johanne Palfri alternatim.<sup>1</sup>)

95. Grant by Robert Spechel of Peterborough (as nos. 93-94, save that the property is 3 roods, lies with Thomas Baker's land on either side, and is to be held for a rent of 3d. to the abbot). *? c. 1290*

Item Robertus Spechel de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni Palfrey de Eye, Alicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum, unam trirodam terre in campis de Burgo iacentem in le Rygeweye inter terram Thome pistoris de Burgo ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super terram sacriste de Burgo et alio super terram Willelmi Launcelyn; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim domino abbati de Burgo ijd. ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus de Waltoun.<sup>1</sup>)

96. Grant by Agnes widow of Ralph the Seriaunt (or Serjeant) of Eye in free widowhood to Geoffrey le Rede of Eye, Sara his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peterborough in the *Stibbynges* towards Eastwood, between land once held by Richard of Dunham and the land of William Wolf; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.*  
?c. 1275-90

Item Agnes quondam uxor Radulphi le Seriaunt de Eye in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Galfrido le Rede de Eye, Sarre uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Burgo in le Stibbynges uersus Estwode, inter terram quondam Ricardi de Dunham et terram Willelmi Wolf; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus duos denarios ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The parties are the same as in no. 22, q.v.

97. Grant by Adam Swyn (? Sweyn) of Peterborough to Robert son of Ascelot of Thorpe and Mabel his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 2 acres in Thorpe (or Longthorpe) in *Swynstibbyng*,<sup>1</sup> of which 1 acre lies between the land of Robert and Mabel and *Higgeneistibbyng*, abutting to the north on the land of William of Thorpe and at the other end on *Kyngesgate*; and 1 acre lies between the land of Robert and Mabel on the east and his own land on the west, abutting to the north on the field of William of Thorpe and to the south on *Kyngesgate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 8*d.* (see no. 99).  
Before 1290

Item Adam Swyn de Burgo dedit etc. Roberto filio Ascelot de Thorp et Mabilie uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis, duas acras terre in campis de Thorp in Swynstibbyng, quarum una acra iacet inter terram dictorum Roberti et Mabilie uxoris ex una parte et Biggeneistibbyng<sup>a</sup> ex altera, unde unum capud abuttat super terram Willelmi de Thorp uersus aquilonem (et)<sup>b</sup> alterum super Kyngesgate, et una acra inter terram dictorum Roberti et Mabilie uxoris sue ex una parte uersus orientem et terram suam uersus occidentem, unde unum capud abuttat super culturam Willelmi de Thorp uersus aquilonem et alterum super Kyngesgate uersus austrum; tenendas de (me<sup>c</sup>) se et heredibus meis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis viij*d.* ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data. (Thorp.<sup>i</sup>)

*Date.* Before 1290; perhaps not very long before, since William of Thorpe is mentioned in 1296 (no. 106); Adam Swyn, however, may be the Adam Swain of the Surveys. Mabel wife of Robert son of Ascelot can be identified with Mabel widow of Robert Aumfrey, since the land granted away by the latter in no. 99 appears to be that acquired in this charter.

98. Grant by Ralph Daumeville of Thorpe to Robert Puttok and his heirs of Hugh son of William in the Lane of Thorpe, his villein, with all his progeny; to be held of Robert and his heirs.<sup>2</sup>  
Probably mid 13th century

Item Radulphus Daumeuille de Thorp dedit etc. Roberto Puttok et heredibus suis Hugonem filium Willelmi in uenella de Thorp, natium suum, cum omni sequela sua; tenendum de Roberto et heredibus suis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For Robert Puttok, see no. 126. This may not, however, be the correct identification, and if Hugh Lane's father be the William of the Lane of no. 103, a later date is probable.

99. Grant by Mabel widow of Robert Aumfrey of Thorpe in free widowhood to Master Hugh of Friskney, clerk of 2 acres, in Thorpe (or Longthorpe) in *Swynstibbyng*, of which 1 acre lies next the land of William of Thorpe on one side and *Hygeneystibbyng* on the other, abutting on the land of William of Thorpe to the north and on *Kyngysgate* to the south;

<sup>a</sup> sic MS., for *Higgeneistibbyng* (see no. 99 and cf. *Hygeneye* in no. 109).

<sup>b</sup> ad MS.

<sup>1</sup> So called because it had been held (perhaps reclaimed from waste ground) by the Swyn or Sweyn family (F, p. 25).

<sup>2</sup> The final clause may possibly be corrupt—i.e. for 'tenendum Roberto' (omitting 'de'), or 'tenendum de Radulpho'.

and the other acre lies between the land once held by Robert her husband on the east and the land of Reginald Cook of Peterborough on the west; to be held of the chief lords for the service due (see no. 97). 1290-9

Item Mabilia relicta Roberti Aunfrey de Thorp in pura uiduitate sua dedit etc. magistro Hugoni de Friskeneya clerico duas acras terre in campis de Thorp in Swynstibbing, quarum una acra iacet iuxta terram Willelmi de Thorp ex una parte et Hygeneyestibbing ex altera, et abuttat super terram dicti Willelmi de Thorp uno capite uersus aquilonem, et ex altero capite super Kyngysgate uersus [f. 15] austrum, et alia acra iacet inter terram que quondam fuit Roberti uiri sui uersus orientem et terram Reginaldi coci de Burgo uersus occidentem; tenendas de capitalibus dominis, reddendo eidem (*sic*) seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The donor is mentioned in 1291-2 (V2, f. 93<sup>v</sup>); the recipient died in 1299 (F, p. 314); the *tenendas* clause suggests a date after 1290, but comparison with no. 97 makes it unlikely to be long after 1290.

100. Grant by Robert son of Thomas of Thorpe (or Longthorpe) to William<sup>1</sup> atte Townsend of Thorpe and Hawise his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lying in Thorpe in a field called *Perlawe*, between the land of Richard atte Cross of Thorpe and of Robert son of Thomas, abutting to the south on the land of William de Menyl and to the north on the land of Robert Anabil; to be held of the chief lord for the service due (see no. 105).

18 May 1298

Item Robertus filius Thome de Thorp dedit etc. Willelmo<sup>1</sup> ad capud uille de Thorp et Auicie uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Thorp in quadam cultura que uocatur *Perlawe*, inter terram Ricardi ad Crucem de Thorp ex parte una et terram Roberti filii Thome ex altera, et abuttat uno capite uersus austrum super terram Willelmi de Menile et alio capite super terram Roberti Anabil uersus boream; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo seruicium debitum capitali domino. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum die Dominica proxima ante festum Sancti Dunstani anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis Henrici uicesimo sexto.

101. Quit-claim by Cecily widow of Adam Smith of Thorpe (Longthorpe) in free widowhood to Hugh atte Townsend of Thorpe, Hawise his wife, and their heirs, of her dowry rights in 3 roods in Thorpe on *Stonhul*, between the land of Robert Agate on the west and of William Conayn on the east, abutting at one end on the *Longelond* (see no. 102).

? c. 1290

Item Cecilia quondam uxor Ade fabri de Thorp in libera uiduitate sua remisit et quietum clamauit Hugoni atte Touneshende de Thorp et Hauicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum, totum ius et clamium suum quod habuit nomine dotis in una triroda terre iacente in campis de Thorp super le *Stonhul*, inter terram Roberti Agate ex parte occidentali et terram Willelmi Conayn ex parte orientali, et abuttat uno capite super le *Longelond*. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The dates of nos. 101-2 are very uncertain. Adam Smith was still alive at the time of no. 102, which must thus be the earlier. It may be the original grant of the same plot of land: the original donor has died and Henry Conayn (who occurs in the Surveys) has been succeeded by William.

The identity of the land in nos. 101-2 strongly suggests that Hugh atte Townsend and Hugh son of John Reeve were the same man (cf. note to no. 100: William atte Townsend was reeve of Boroughury in 1300-1). He was the recipient of nos. 101-5. 102-4 are pre-1290; mention of Robert Aumfrey suggests that no. 104 is not long before 1290; and William de Menyl, who is mentioned in 105 (and 100, 1298), occurs in 1270 and 1283 (F, pp. 81-82; Nassaborough Hundred Court Roll, 1283)—indeed, only one of the four neighbours has changed between 105 and 100 (1298). Nos. 102-4 may be dated not long before 1290, 101 and 105 to the latter part of the 13th century. Hugh atte Townsend may have been

<sup>1</sup> William atte Townsend was reeve of Boroughury in 1300-1 (Abbot's Receiver's Acct.).

William's predecessor (it is curious that both had wives called Hawise, and it is possible that in no. 100 we should read Hugh for William); this is strongly suggested by the identity of the property in 100 and 105—the former is evidently a confirmation of the latter.

102. Grant by Adam son of Thomas Smith of Thorpe (Longthorpe) and Cecily his wife to Hugh son of John once reeve of Thorpe of 3 roods in Thorpe lying on *Stonhul* between the land of Geoffrey of Eye and of Henry Conayn; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*

*Before 1290*

Item Adam filius Thome fabri de Thorp et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Hugoni filio Johannis quondam prepositi de eadem tres rodas terre in campis de Thorp iacentes super *Stonhul* inter terram Galfridi de Eye ex una parte et terram Henrici Coneyn ex altera; tenendas de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim (eis) uel heredibus eorum unum denarium ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

103. Grant by Richard son of Cecily of Thorpe to Hugh son of John Reeve of Thorpe of 3 roods of land in Thorpe beneath *Westgate* between the land of William of the Lane and the public road; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 9*d.*

*Before 1290*

Item Ricardus filius Cecilie de Thorp dedit etc. Hugoni filio Johannis prepositi de eadem unam tirodam terre in campis de (Dodes<sup>e</sup>) Thorp iacentem sub *Westgate* inter terram Willelmi de la Lane ex una parte et uiam communem ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi uel heredibus uel assignatis ix*d.* ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* If the donor was the son of the donor of no. 102, this cannot be much earlier than 1290.

104. Grant by Richard son of Cecily of Thorpe (Longthorpe) with the assent of Mabel his wife to Hugh son of John once reeve of Thorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Thorpe in *Grenecroft*, between the land of Richard *ad salutem* of Thorpe and land once held by Robert Aumfrey; to be held of himself and his heirs, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

*Before 1290*

Item Ricardus filius Cecilie de Thorp cum assensu Mabilie uxoris sue dedit etc. Hugoni filio Johannis quondam prepositi de eadem dimidiam acram terre in campis de Thorp que iacet in *Grenecroft*, [*f. 15<sup>v</sup>*] inter terram Ricardi *ad salutem* de eadem ex una parte et terram quam Robertus Aunfre tenuit ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi uel heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini. Cum warentia et sine data.

105. Grant by William of Thorpe (Longthorpe), merchant of Peterborough, to Hugh atte Townsend of Thorpe, Hawise his wife, and their heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre in Thorpe, between the land of John atte Cross and of Robert son of Thomas, abutting at one end on the land of William de Menyl and at the other on the land of Robert Anabil; for an annual rent of 6*d.* to the abbot (see no. 100).

*Late 13th century*

Item Willelmus de Thorp mercator in Burgo dedit etc. Hugoni ad capud uille de Thorp, Hauicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Thorp, inter terram Johannis ad Crucem ex una parte et terram Roberti filii Thome ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Willelmi de Menil et alio super terram (Radulphi<sup>e</sup>) Roberti Anabil; tenendam etc., reddendo annuatim domino abbati de Burgo v*d.* ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

106. Grant by Geoffrey son of John of Thorpe (Longthorpe) to Robert son of William Launcein of Thorpe and Simon his brother of 3 roods in Thorpe in *Lampideforlong*, between the abbot's land and William of Thorpe's, abutting at one end on *Crannonebrok*; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of 1*d.*

*10 April 1296*

Item Galfridus filius Johannis de Thorp dedit etc. Roberto filio Willelmi Launcelyn de Thorp et Simoni fratri suo tres rodas terre in campis de Thorp in Lampideforlong, inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex parte una et terram Willelmi de Thorp ex altera, et abuttant in uno capite super Crannonebrok; tenendas etc., reddendo sibi uel heredibus unum denarium ad Pascha. Cum warentia, data apud Thorp die Martis proxima ante festum Sancti Gudlaci anno regni regis (Edwardi) filii regis Henrici uicesimo quarto.

107. Grant by William Nevile of Paston to Thurstan son of Robert of Thorpe (Longthorpe) and Alice his wife of 3 acres in Thorpe beneath *Westhawe*, next the land of Henry Conayn's son, abutting on the abbot's furlong; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 16*d*. *Before 1290*

Item Willelmus Neuile in Pastone dedit etc. Thurstano filio Roberti de Thorp et Alicie uxori eius tres acras terre iacentes in campis de Thorp sub Westhawe iuxta terram filii Henrici Coneyn, et abuttant super culturam domini abbatis de Burgo; tenendas de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi uel heredibus xvj denarios ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For Henry Conayn, cf. no. 102. William Nevile occurs in 1262-71 (N, f. 156) and 1275 (F, pp. 88-89); there is a group of his charters in F, pp. 48-54.

108. Quit-claim by Isabel widow of John the Almoner of Peterborough in free widowhood to Richard son of John Reeve of Thorpe and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of her rights in 1 acre in Thorpe in *Holestibbynge*. *c. 1290-1300*

Item Isabella relict Johannis elemosinarii de Burgo in libera uiduitate sua dedit et omnino quietum clamauit pro se et pro heredibus suis Ricardo filio Johannis prepositi de Thorp et Eduse uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis suis, totum ius et clamium quod habuit in una acra terre iacente in campis de Thorp in Holestibbynge. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* John the Almoner was alive in 1282 (no. 53), and probably dead by c. 1296 (cf. no. 4).

109. Grant by Thomas son of Robert of Thorpe (Longthorpe), with the assent of Juliana his mother, to William son of Launcelin of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Thorpe next the land once Hygeneye's<sup>1</sup> and the land once Richard of Whittlesey's; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to the abbot of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d*. *Before 1290*

Item Thomas filius Roberti de Thorp dedit assensu Juliane matris sue Willelmo filio Launcelini dimidiam acram terre in campis de Thorp iacentem iuxta terram condam Hygeneye et terram condam Ricardi de Wytelyseye; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, [*f. 16*] reddendo inde annuatim abbati de Burgo duos denarios et obolum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* William son of Launcelin's *floruit* was in the late 13th century and he may have spanned the second half of the century (see no. 15).

110. Grant by Agnes daughter of Adam son of William of Thorpe (Longthorpe) to William son of Launcelin of Thorpe of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre between *Rygeweye* and the land of Richard of Whittlesey; for an annual rent to the abbot of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d*. *Late 13th century*

Item Agnes filia Ade filii Willelmi de Thorp dedit etc. Willelmo filio Launcelini de Thorp unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis iuxta *Rygeweye* ex una parte et terram Ricardi de Witteleyseye ex altera, reddendo inde annuatim domino abbati de Burgo duos denarios et obolum ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Dated* by William Launcelin (and for Richard of Whittlesey, cf. no. 109); but if the donor's grandfather is the William of Thorpe of no. 106 (1296), this charter may be later.

<sup>1</sup> Hygeneye's land, or 'Stubbyng' is referred to in the Surveys, and above, nos. 97, 99.



111. Grant by Agnes daughter of Hugh Reeve of Dogsthorpe in free widowhood to William of the Green of Garton, Alice his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre at Berengar's *Stibbyng*, between William's own land and the land of William son of William of Dogsthorpe, abutting at one end on the headland next the land of Agnes Underwood and at the other on the land of Turnord Shepherd; for an annual rent to William son of Thomas Berengar and his heirs of 4*d.*, doubled for relief. ? c. 1295-9

#### CARTE THOME DE CARTON<sup>1</sup>

Item Agnes filia Hugonis prepositi de Dodesthorp in ligia uiduitate sua dedit etc. Willelmo de la Grene de Carton et Alicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum unam acram terre iacentem apud Berengeres Stibbyng inter terram predicti Willelmi et terram Willelmi filii Willelmi de Dodesthorp; unum capud abuttat super fossatum iuxta terram Agnetis Underwode et aliud super terram Turnordi bercarii; reddendo annuatim Willelmo filio Thome Berenger et heredibus suis iij*d.* ad quatuor terminos usuales pro omnibus etc., duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* The final clause suggests a date after 1290, and it is likely that this acre is included in the land granted in the next charter. If so, no. 111 is either earlier than no. 112, or part of the same transaction—William atte Green may well have bought the land to endow his son.

112. Grant by William atte Green of Garton with the assent of Abbot William of Woodford (1295-9) to Thomas his son, clerk, of 3½ acres in assarts towards Eastwood, of which 3 acres lie together in Berengar's *Stibbing* between the land of Robert Underwood and of William son of William, and ½ acre at the *Begelhirne* between the land of the vicar of Peterborough and of Walter Smith of Eye; to be held of the chief lords for an annual rent of 2*s.* to the bailiffs of Peterborough—1*s.* of old rent and 1*s.* added by the abbot. 1295-9

Item Willelmus a la Grene de Carton assensu et uoluntate Willelmi de Wodeford tunc abbatis dedit etc. Thome filio suo clerico tres acras et dimidiam terre arabilis iacentes in assartis uersus Estwode, quarum tres acre iacent simul in Berengeres Stibbing inter terram Roberti Underwode et terram Willelmi filii Willelmi, et dimidia acra iacet apud le Begelhirne inter terram uicarii de Burgo et terram Walteri fabri de Eye; habendas etc. sibi et heredibus de capitalibus dominis feod(orum), reddendo balliuis Burgi ijs. ad quatuor terminos usuales, uidelicet xij*d.* de antiquo redditu et xij*d.* de nouo incremento per predictum abbatem. Cum warrentia et sine data.

113. Grant by Walter son of Hugh Parker of Newark to William atte Green of Garton, Alice his wife, and their heirs, of ½ acre on the furlong called *Synecroft* in Dogsthorpe, between William's own land and land then held by Matilda Dangerus, abutting at one end on the meadow of the lord of Gunthorpe; to be held freely of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. Before 1290

Walterus filius Hugonis Parker de Neuwerk dedit etc. Willelmo a la Grene de Carton et Alicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum unam dimidiam acram terre in cultura que uocatur *Synecroft* in campis de Dodesthorp, inter terram [f. 16<sup>v</sup>] eiusdem Willelmi (et terram eiusdem Willelmi<sup>o</sup>) et tunc terram Matilde Dangerus, et abuttat uno capite super pratum domini de Gunthorpe; tenendam de se et heredibus suis predictis Willelmo et Alicie et heredibus eorum libere etc., reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omnibus, duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* Not long before 1290, since William atte Green's *floruit* was in the latter part of the century (cf. nos. 62, 112—and 7).

<sup>1</sup> This heading presumably covers nos. 111-14, the charters of Thomas son of William atte Green of Garton.

114. Grant by Robert atte Stile of Dogsthorpe and Agnes his wife to William atte Green of Garton and Alice his wife of 1 acre in Berengar's *Stibbing* between Robert and Agnes's land and Thomas Berengar's, abutting at one end on the Thwaites; to be held of Robert and Agnes for an annual rent of 4*d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Robertus ad scalarium de Dodesthorp et Agnes uxor eius dederunt etc. Willelmo a la Grene de Carton et Alicie uxori eius unam acram terre in Berengeres *Stibbing* iacentem inter terram predictorum Roberti et Agnatis (*sic*) et terram Thome Berenger, et abuttat uno capite super Thweytes; habendam etc. predictis Willelmo et Alicie et eorum heredibus de predictis R(oberto) et A(gnete) et eorum heredibus, reddendo annuatim *iiijd.* ad quatuor terminos pro omni seruicio, et duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* As no. 113; confirmed by Thomas Berengar (see p. 1xii) and Robert atte Stile (nos. 20, 21, 88).

115. Grant and quit-claim (?) with warranty<sup>1</sup> by Petronilla Convers in free widowhood to Richard Sweyn of Garton, Emma his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre of meadow in Edgerley, with the meadow then held by Simon Gere on either side, abutting at one end on the causeway to Oxney and at the other on the abbot's meadow; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 4*d.*, doubled for relief. *c. 1290*

Item Petronilla Conuers in libera uiduitate remisit etc. Ricardo Sweyn de Carton et Emme uxori eius et heredibus eorum unam acram prati iacentem in Eggereslee inter tunc pratum Simonis Gere ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super calcetum de Oxeneye et alio capite super pratum domini abbatis; habendam illis et eorum heredibus de se et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim *iiijd.*, ad quatuor terminos pro omnibus seruiciis, duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* Simon Gere was collecting his meadow land after c. 1275 (cf. nos. 30, 33, &c.), and disposed of some of it in 1303 (nos. 120, 122), which gives approximate limits for this charter. Petronilla occurs as a widow in 1294 (no. 49). If this document is a grant, then the subinfeudation clause implies that it is not later than 1290.

116. Grant by Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Simon son of Richard in le Wro of Dogsthorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Paston, between the land of William of Paston, summoner, and of Robert Tuppehorn of Peterborough, abutting at one end on *Fulhund* and at the other on the abbot's land; to be held freely of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* *c. 1290*

Item Simon ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Simoni filio Ricardi in le Wro de Dodesthorp unam dimidiam acram terre arabilis in campo de Paston, inter terram Willelmi de Paston citatoris ex una parte et terram Roberti Tuppehorn de Burgo ex altera, et abbuttat uno capite super Fulhund et alio capite super terram domini abbatis; habendam etc. libere de predicto Simone et heredibus et assignatis sibi, heredibus et assignatis, reddendo annuatim unum obolum ad Natale pro omnibus. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* Presumably before 1290; Simon atte Cross might possibly be the juror of no. 390 (1292); Simon in le Wro was married c. 1303 (see no. 120 and n.).

117. Grant by John son of William Kyting of Peterborough to Simon in le Wro of Dogsthorpe, Agnes his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre in Peterborough, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in assarts towards Eastwood between the land of Thomas atte Green of Peterborough and of William Launcelin, abutting on the headland of Robert Spechel at one end and on the road

<sup>1</sup> The phrase 'remisit etc.' implies that this is a quit-claim, like so many of the documents issued by widows in this collection; but the absence of any reference to 'ius et clamium', the rent, and, above all, the warranty clause suggest that this is really a grant. It may have been a mixed form; but it is perhaps more likely that the scribe wrote 'remisit' in error for 'dedit', misled by the lady's widowhood.

to Eastwood at the other; and the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Ryngesmoor* between the land of Luke Fisher(man) of Peterborough and of John Saleman, abutting at one end on land once held by Richard Cuttecop' and at the other on the abbot's land; to be held of the chief lords for an annual rent of 1*d.* for one  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre to Boroughbury and 2*d.* for the other to the abbey kitchen.  
Early 14th century

Johannes filius Willelmi Kytling de Burgo dedit etc. Simoni in le Wro de Dodesthorp et Agneti uxori eius et heredibus eorum unam acram terre in campis de Burgo, unde dimidia acra iacet [*f.* 17] in assartis uersus Estwode inter terram Thome a la Grene de Burgo et terram Willelmi Launcelyn, et abuttat super foreram Roberti Spechel et alio capite super uiam que ducit uersus Estwode, et alia dimidia acra iacet in Ryngesmoor inter terram Luce piscatoris de Burgo et terram Johannis Saleman, et abuttat uno capite super terram quondam Ricardi Cuttecop' et alio capite super terram domini abbatis; habendam etc. predictis (Simoni)<sup>a</sup> et A(gneti) et eorum heredibus de capitalibus dominis etc., reddendo pro una dimidia acra unum denarium apud Burghbiry ad Pascha et pro alia dimidia acra i*jd.* coquine conuentus i*jd.* (*sic*) ad quatuor terminos pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* After 1290, probably after 1303 (see no. 120 and n.); William Launcelin was dead by 1317 (no. 69).

**118.** Grant by Thomas atte Green of Peterborough to Simon son of Richard in le Wro of Dogsthorpe of 1 acre in Dogsthorpe, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the boundary next the almoner's land and Richard of Deene's, abutting at one end on the land of Walter Tanner of Peterborough and at the other on the almoner's meadow, and the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between Richard of Deene's land and the boundary lying by the land then held by Simon son of Richard Gere, abutting at one end on the same headland and at the other on the same meadow; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 4*d.*  
c. 1290

Item Thomas atte Grene de Burgo dedit etc. Simoni filio Ricardi in le Wro de Dodesthorp unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Dodesthorp, cuius dimidia acra iacet inter diuisam que iacet iuxta terram elemosinarii et terram Ricardi de Den', et abuttat uno capite super terram Walteri tanatoris de Burgo et altero capite super pratum dicti elemosinarii, et alia dimidia acra iacet inter terram Ricardi de Den' et diuisam que iacet iuxta terram tunc Simonis filii Ricardi Ger', et abuttat uno capite super dictam foreram et alio capite super dictum pratum; habendam etc. sibi et heredibus de ipso et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus i*ijjd.* ad<sup>b</sup> quatuor terminos usuales pro omnibus etc. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* As no. 116.

**119.** Grant by Simon Gere of Garton to Simon in le Wro of Dogsthorpe and Agnes his wife (see no. 120 and n.) of 2 adjacent selions containing 1 acre in Dogsthorpe beneath the village, abutting to the north on the garden of Agnes Hod and to the south on the headland called *Heye heuedlond*, lying next the land once Alice le Fort's on the east and the land of Stephen of Loughton and Simon Gere and William Carter on the west; to be held of the chief lords for an annual rent of 2*d.* (see no. 31).  
29 September 1304

Item Simon Ger' de Carton dedit etc. Simoni in le Wro de Dodesthorp et Agneti uxori eius duas seliones terre coniunctim iacentes, que continent unam acram in campo de Dodesthorp subtus Dodesthorp, et abuttant capite boriali super gardenum Agnetis Hod et capite australi super foreram que uocatur *Heye heuedlond*, et iacent iuxta terram quondam Alicie le Fort ex parte orientali et terram Stephani de Loughton et terram Simonis Ger' et Willelmi carectarii ex parte occidentali; habendas predictis S(imoni) et A(gneti) et eorum heredibus de capitalibus dominis feod(orum), reddendo i*jd.* ad quatuor

<sup>a</sup> R. MS.

<sup>b</sup> at' MS.

terminos usuales. Cum warrentia, data apud Dodesthorp die Sancti Michaelis archangeli anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Henrici tricesimo secundo.

120. Grant by Simon Gere of Dogsthorpe and Mabel his wife to Simon in le Wro, Agnes his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre in Dogsthorpe in the furlong called *Apeltre*, between the land of Richard of Crowland and of Robert Alred; and a headland called *Heyeheuclond*, abutting to the east on the land of Gilbert Gere and to the west on the land then held by William, then abbot's carter; and 1 acre of meadow in Ederley between the monks' meadow on the east and Robert Sewale's on the west, abutting on the causeway to Oxney at one end and the abbot's meadow at the other; to be held of the chief lords for annual rents of 4*d.* to the almoner, 4*d.* to Robert Bedel of Garton, ½*d.* to the chapel of St. Mary.

7 February 1302/3

Item Symon Ger' de Dodesthorp et Mabilia uxor eius dederunt etc. Simoni in le Wro et Agneti uxori eius et eorum heredibus unam acram terre in campo de Dodesthorp in cultura que uocatur *Apeltre*, [*f.* 17<sup>v</sup>] inter terram Ricardi de Cruland et terram Roberti Alred; et unam foreram que uocatur *Heyeheuclond*, et abuttat uno capite uersus orientem super terram Gilberti Ger' et alio capite uersus occidentem super terram Willelmi tunc carectarii domini abbatis; et unam acram prati in Eggereslee inter pratum monachorum ex parte orientali et pratum Roberti Sewale ex parte occidentali, et abuttat uno capite super calcetum de Oxeneye et alio capite super pratum domini abbatis; habendas etc. predictis S(imoni) et A(gneti) et eorum heredibus de capitalibus dominis feod(orum) etc. uidelicet elemosinario iiij*d.* ad quatuor terminos usuales et Roberto bedello de Carton iiij*d.* ad quatuor terminos usuales et capelle Beate Marie obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis. Cum warrentia, data apud Burgum die Jouis proxima post festum Purificacionis anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis H(enrici) tricesimo primo.

*Date.* Nos. 120 and 122 are the earliest datable documents in a series of charters by which Simon Gere endowed his daughter (see no. 121) and son-in-law; it is a reasonable deduction that the latter were married in or about 1303 (but see below). It is noticeable that no. 120 is dated the Thursday after, 122 the Thursday before, the Purification. This may well be a coincidence, but it is not impossible that they were issued on the same day, and that there is a slip in the date of one or the other.

121. Grant by Simon Gere to Simon in le Wro of Dogsthorpe and Agnes his wife, Simon Gere's daughter, and their heirs, of 1 acre in Peterborough at *Faleholm* between the land of Walter of Wodhull on the east and of Richard son of Walter of Walton on the west, abutting to the north on the land of Robert Everard of Dogsthorpe and to the south on the land of Matilda Spechel; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.*

Probably c. 1303

Item Simon Gere dedit etc. Simoni in le Wro de Dodesthorp et Agneti uxori eius filie sue et eorum heredibus unam acram terre in campis de Burgo apud *Faleholm* inter terram Walteri de Wodhull ex parte orientali et terram Ricardi filii Walteri de Walton ex parte occidentali, et abuttat uersus aquilonem super terram Roberti Euerard de Dodesthorp et uersus austrum super terram Matilde Spechel; habendam de se et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim ijd. ad festum Sancti Bartholomei pro omnibus. Cum warrentia et sine data.

*Date.* Another part of the marriage settlement of c. 1303 (cf. no. 120 and n.)—or so one would presume; but the subinfeudation clause is puzzling (unless this was some kind of conditional gift; but there is nothing else to distinguish its nature from 119-20). It is just possible that the inference drawn from the dated charters is false, and that the marriage of Simon in le Wro and Agnes took place in or before 1290, and that this charter belongs to that period. But this charter is in any case presumably later than 1 October 1290, when Matilda Spechel acquired land in *Faleholm* (no. 488). Robert Everard occurs in 1299 and did homage to Abbot Godfrey in 1300-1 (F, pp. 83-84; P, p. 110 n.).

122. Grant by Simon (Gere) and Mabel his wife to the same Simon (in le Wro) and Agnes and their heirs of 1 acre in Dogsthorpe in the furlong called *Appeltre* between land once Walter of Farcet's which he bought from Richard son of Hugh Flori of Garton, abutting on the royal road from Dogsthorpe to Paston; and a headland called *Heyeheuedlond* running from west to east; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in Edgerley lying with Simon Gere's meadows on either side, and abutting on the causeway to Oxney (cf. 120); to be held of the chief lords for the services due.

31 January 1302/3

Idem Simon et Mabilia uxor eius dederunt etc. predictis S(imoni) et A(gneti) et eorum heredibus unam acram terre in campis de Dodesthorp in cultura que uocatur Appiltre inter terram quondam Ricardi Ger' et terram quondam Walteri de Faresheued, quam terram emit de Ricardo filio Hugonis Flori de Carton, et abuttat super regiam uiam que ducit a Dodesthorp usque Paston, et unam foreram que uocatur Heyeheuedlond et iacet ab occidente in orientem, et unam dimidiam acram prati in Egereslee iacentem inter prata dicti Simonis Ger' ex utraque parte, et abuttat super calcetum de Oxeneye; habenda etc. de capitalibus dominis per seruicia que pertinent etc. Cum warrentia, data apud Burgum die Jouis proxima ante Purificacionem anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis H(enrici) tricesimo primo.

### [III] [f. 18] CARTE NATIVORUM DE WALTON

#### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF WALTON)

123. Confirmation without warranty by Cecily wife of (Gilbert) Blakeman of Walton to Geoffrey son of Richard Dunes of Milton, Agnes his wife, their heirs and assigns, of the grant and sale to them by Gilbert Blakeman her husband (no. 124).

*Second half of 13th century*

Memorandum quod Cecilia uxor Willelmi<sup>a</sup> Blakeman de Walton concessit et confirmauit etc. Galfrido filio Ricardi Dunes de Milton, Agneti uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis suis, totam donacionem et uendicionem quam Gilbertus Blakeman uir suus eidem Galfrido, Agneti, heredibus et assignatis uendidit; tenendam etc. Sine warrentia et sine data. (Simon Broun tenet mesuagium illorum de Blakeman.<sup>i</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 124 and its confirmation, 123, can be dated approximately by the donor, Gilbert Blakeman, and by the reference to Richard son of Walter of Walton in 124. The latter occurs in the Surveys; the former is probably the son or at least the successor of the William Blakeman of the Surveys (who also occurs in 1233-45 (Pc, ff. 112<sup>v</sup>-13) and 1250-63, below, nos. 523-4, 529); Gilbert's widow and son occur in 1299 (F, p. 97). Thus he himself must roughly span the second half of the century. No. 124 must be earlier than 1290.

124. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman of Walton with the assent of Cecily his wife to Geoffrey son of Richard Dunes of Milton, Agnes his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Walton, between the abbot's land on the south and the land of Richard son of Walter of Walton on the north, abutting at one end on *Grymeshawe* and at the other on the land of William son of William of Walton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 4d.

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman de Walton assensu Cecilie uxoris sue dedit etc. Galfrido filio Ricardi Dunes de Milton, Agneti uxori sue, heredibus et assignatis suis, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Walton inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex parte australi et terram Ricardi filii Walteri de Walton ex parte aquilonari, et abuttat uno capite super *Grymeshawe* et alio super terram Willelmi filii Willelmi de Walton; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus *iiijd.* ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warrentia et sine data. (ijs. abbati et omnia (?) debent.<sup>i</sup>)

<sup>i</sup> sic MS., for Gilberti.

125. Grant by William Blakeman of Walton to William son of Thorold of Werrington of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Walton, of which 1 acre lies on *Waliswong*, between the land of Geoffrey Russel then steward of Peterborough and William's own land;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods above *Harygges* between the land of Ralph Loue and land then held by Ellen, widow; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood below *le Lund*, between land then held by Hugh Pampelyn and the land of Walter *extra uillam* ('out of town'); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ . 1246-66

Item Willelmus Blakeman de Walton dedit etc. Willelmo filio Thoroldi de Wytherington unam acram et dimidiam terre iacentes in campis de Walton, quarum una acra iacet super *Waliswong*, inter terram domini Galfridi Russel senescalli tunc Burgi et terram dicti Willelmi; et una roda et dimidia super *Harygges* inter terram Radulphi Luue ex una parte et terram tunc Elene uidue ex altera; et dimidia roda iacet sub *le Lund* inter terram tunc Hugonis Pampelyn et terram Walteri *extra uillam*; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus tres obolos ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Aylflet.)

*Date.* On Geoffrey Russel, steward, see p. 226. As both the parties occur in the Surveys, it is not likely that this charter is much later than 1250.

126. Grant by Henry son of Robert Puttok of Walton to Walter son of Richard atte Pol of Walton of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Paston, between the land once held by William son of Richard of Paston and the land of Richard son of Robert of Werrington, abutting on the land of Ascelin Prudhomme (at one end, and at) the other on the royal road from Paston to Peterborough; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Henricus filius (Willelmi<sup>c</sup>) Roberti Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Waltero filio Ricardi ad Pol de Walton unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis de Paston, inter terram quondam Willelmi filii Ricardi de Paston et terram Ricardi filii Roberti de Wytheri(n)gton, et abuttat super terram Ascelini Prudhomme, et alterum<sup>a</sup> super regalem uiam qua itur de Paston apud Burgum; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum [*f. 18<sup>v</sup>*] ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data. (*At foot of f. 18: R*(icardus) de Crul(and) tenet de terra Rogeri Torold.)

*Date.* Before no. 128—which is itself earlier than 1290, though probably by no great margin—since the recipient of 128 was widow to the recipient of 126. Henry Puttok may be the Henry Puttok of the Surveys (also oc. c. 1227-36, F, pp. 56-60), or possibly his nephew or grandson (not son, as his father is here named Robert); he occurs in only two dated charters, F, pp. 88-89, of 1275 and below, no. 159, of 1281. His father Robert occurs in nos. 523-4, 529 (1250-63).

127. Grant by Stephen Pitman of Peterborough to Walter son of Richard atte Pol of Walton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton, lying between the land of William son of John of Walton and land then held by John atte Green, abutting at one end on the land of Walter *extra uillam* of Walton and at the other on land then held by John atte Green; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1d$ ., doubled for relief.

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Stephanus Pitman de Burgo dedit etc. Waltero filio Ricardi ad Pol de Walton unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Walton, iacentem inter terram Willelmi filii Johannis de Walton et terram tunc Johannis ad Grene ex altera, et abuttat unum capud super terram Walteri *extra uillam* de Walton, et aliud capud super terram tunc Johannis ad Grene; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum denarium ad Pascha, et pro releuo seruicium dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Gam[ ](?).<sup>i</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. no. 126; for Stephen Pitman, cf. nos. 42, 46.

<sup>a</sup> *sic*, presumably to agree with caput understood.

128. Quit-claim by Petronilla widow of William Convers of Peterborough in free widowhood to Alice widow of Walter atte Pol of Walton, her heirs and assigns, of her rights in  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Paston, between the land of Hugh atte *Brok* of Paston and of Richard son of Osbert of Werrington; to be held of herself and her heirs, performing the service due to the lord of the fee. c. 1290

Item Petronilla relicta Willelmi Conuers de Burgo concessit in libera uiduitate sua et quietum clamauit Alicie relicte Walteri atte Pol de Walton, heredibus suis et assignatis, totum ius et clamium suum quod habuit in una roda terre et dimidia iacentibus in campis de Paston, inter terram Hugonis atte Brok de Paston ex una parte et terram Ricardi filii Osberti de Wytherington ex altera; tenendum de se et de heredibus suis, faciendo domino feodi seruicium debitum. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. nos. 115, 126-7. Hugh atte Brok occurs in 1299 (F, p. 97) and is mentioned in 1320 (no. 180).

129. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman with the counsel of Cecily his wife to Roger Thorold and Matilda his wife of a rent of 2d. which they used to pay him for 1 acre of meadow in Werrington Inhams; to be held of himself and his heirs. *Second half of 13th century*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman de Walton consilio Cecilie uxoris sue dedit etc. Rogero Torold et Matildi uxori sue redditum duorum denariorum quos sibi solebant reddere pro una acra prati in Wytherington Innome; tenendum dictum redditum de se et de heredibus suis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Presumably before 1290. For Gilbert Blakeman, see no. 123; for the Roger Thorolds, father and son, who seem to have spanned the second half of the century between them, see nos. 20, 131 n., 132, 153, 165, &c.; the younger died c. 1290-3. William son of Thorold, who occurs in the Surveys, may possibly have been brother to Roger senior.

130. Grant by Henry Puttok to Roger son of Roger Thorold of Walton, Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Paston with Roger's own land on either side, abutting at one end on *Spelehawesyke* and at the other on William Marshal's land and on land once Alice of Scotter's; to be held of himself and his heirs, with double service for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok dedit etc. Rogero filio Rogeri Thorold de Walton, Matilde uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Paston iuxta terram dicti Rogeri ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super *Spelehawesyke* et alio capite super terram Willelmi le Mare-scal et super terram quondam Alicie de Scotere; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For the parties, see nos. 126, 129, &c. Probably not long before 1290, since Alice of Scotter was presumably dead—cf. no. 21.

131. Quit-claim by John Puttok of Walton to Walter of Loddington and Matilda his wife of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Paston at *Fulbrig* by the royal road, abutting on the headland which Abraham of Aston (? Easton) once held; to be held of himself and his heirs for a rent of one pepper-corn. ? c. 1290

Item Johannes Puttok de Walton relaxauit et quietum clamauit Waltero de Lyddington, Matilde uxori eius, unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Paston iacentem apud Fulbrig (supra le Pingel<sup>i</sup>) iuxta uiam regalem, et abuttat super foreram quam Habraam de Aston quondam tenuit; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi uel heredibus unum granum piperis ad Pascha. [*f.* 19] Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Presumably before 1290, but not long before, since John Puttok (who may be Henry Puttok's successor) occurs in 1305 and 1322 (no. 241; VI, f. 79), and Walter of Loddington's *floruit* was from c. 1290 to c. 1309.

Walter of Loddington was one of a succession of landowners in Walton, who held of the abbot for a quarter of a knight's fee. The earlier tenants are listed in P, pp. 142-3 n. In 1269 William son of John was still alive (F, pp. 81-82); by 1275 he had been succeeded by his son John. John's son John did homage in 1276, but shortly after, and certainly before 1284, the elder John granted his holding to his brother William (P, pp. 142-3 n. and below, no. 139). It was probably shortly after 1290 that William granted his holdings to Roger Thorold (no. 153). Roger was dead by 1293 (no. 165), and was succeeded by Walter of Loddington. Roger and Walter were both married to ladies called Matilda, and it is not impossible that Walter's wife was the same as Roger's widow, in which case the present charter must be later than 1290 or no. 153 earlier than 1290. Walter witnessed a charter of 1299 (F, pp. 83-84). The holding finally passed to Richard of Crowland, who did homage for it in March 1308/9 and died in 1346 (see note to no. 38).

132. Grant without warranty by Gilbert Blakeman and Cecily his wife, of Walton, to Matilda widow of Roger Thorold of Walton, her heirs and assigns, of an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d., which Richard Brounys of Walton used to pay for 1 rood in Walton at *Peretre*.

*c. end of 13th century*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman et Cecilia uxor sua de Walton dedit etc. Matilde quondam uxori Rogeri Torold de Walton, heredibus et assignatis suis, unum obolum annui redditus quem Ricardus Browneye de Walton eis solebat reddere pro uno (*sic*) roda terre iacente in campis de Walton ad *Peretre*; tenendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* It can be dated approximately by the donors (cf. nos. 123, 153; cf. also no. 133). The recipient's widowhood places it c. 1290 (see no. 131).

133. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman of Walton and Cecily his wife (to William son of William of Walton<sup>1</sup>) of all their meadowland in the meadow of *Sutmede*, between the meadow of William and the meadow of William Pyteman; to be held of themselves and their heirs for a rent of a root of ginger.

*c. 1276-90*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman de Walton et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. totum pratum suum quod iacet in prato de *Sutmede*, inter pratum predicti Willelmi ex una parte et pratum Willelmi Pyteman ex altera; tenendum de illis et de heredibus, reddendo eis et heredibus unam racinam gynzebris. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See note to no. 131.

134. Grant without warranty by Gilbert Blakeman and Cecily his wife to William son of William son of John of Walton of an annual rent of  $6\frac{1}{2}$ d., which John of Riseley used to pay.

*c. 1276-90*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman de Walton et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Willelmo filio Willelmi filii Johannis de Walton annuum redditum *vjd.* et oboli, quem redditum Johannes de Riseley solebat reddere; tenendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

135. Grant by William son of William son of John of Walton to Roger son of Roger Thorold of Walton, Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 2 acres and 1 rood in Walton, of which 1 acre lies between the land of William son of Athelin and Roger's own land; 3 roods lie between the land once William Neuman's and the land once held by John atte Green of Walton in the same furlong; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies at *le Merestall* with the abbot's furlong on either side; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d. to the chief lord, doubled for relief.

*c. 1276-90*

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi filii Johannis de Walton dedit etc. Rogero filio Rogeri Torold de Walton et Matilde uxori sue et heredibus et assignatis, duas acras et unam rodam terre iacentes in campis de Walton, quarum una

<sup>1</sup> The recipient is not named, but comparison with no. 153 strongly suggests that he was William son of William of Walton, and this is confirmed by the phrase 'predicti Willelmi' in the text, which implies that the recipient's name was William.



acra iacet inter terram quondam Willelmi filii Athelini ex una parte et terram prefati Rogeri ex altera; et una triroda iacet inter terram quondam Willelmi Neuman et terram quondam Johannis al Grene de Walton in eadem cultura; et una dimidia acra iacet a le Merestal in cultura domini abbatis de Burgo ex utraque parte; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo (sibi et heredibus suis<sup>a</sup>)<sup>a</sup> capitali domino feodi unum denarium ad festum Convercionis Sancti Pauli, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290; for the parties, cf. nos. 131, 129, &c.

136. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman and Cecily his wife to Roger Thorold and Matilda his wife of their whole meadow in Walton brook between Werrington and Walton, lying in a (the?) park; for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. *Second half of 13th century*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Rogero Torold et Matilde uxori sue totum pratum eorum in Walton Brok' inter Wytherington et Walton sicut iacet per parcum<sup>b</sup>; tenendum et habendum, reddendo inde annuatim eis et heredibus suis unum obolum (ad festum) Sancti Petri in aduincula (*sic*). Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus de Cru(land).<sup>i</sup>)

*Date.* Somewhat earlier than no. 165 by the date of which Roger Thorold was dead.

137. Grant by — son of William of Walton to Roger Thorold of Walton and Matilda his wife of 1 rood of meadow in the meadowland of Walton between Walton and Werrington, between the meadow of Roger Thorold and the meadow once held by William Athelin; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of one pepper-corn.

*Second half of 13th century*

[*f. 19<sup>v</sup>*] Item filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Rogero Torold de Walton et Matilde uxori sue unam rodam prati in prato de Walton inter Walton et Wytherington, iacentem inter pratum Rogeri Torold ex una parte et pratum quondam Willelmi Athelin ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim unum granum piperis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290. The donor is presumably the same as in no. 139, or else his brother William (*ibid.* and nos. 131, 134-5). For the parties, see no. 131 n.

138. Grant by Henry Puttok to Roger Thorold of Walton and Matilda his wife of all his meadow at *Fulebrige*, lying between the meadow once held by Hugh le Noble and Roger's own courtyard, with the headland lying under the meadow. He also granted them an annual rent of 2d., 1d. from Michael le Herice of Peakirk for 2 acres in Glington, and 1d. from John Kyng of Werrington for 3 roods in Paston and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton, which they used to pay for the said holding; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Henricus Puttok dedit etc. Rogero Torold de Walton et Matilde uxori sue totum pratum suum apud Fulebrige iacens<sup>c</sup> inter pratum quondam Hugonis le Noble ex una parte et curtilagium dicti Rogeri ex altera, una cum forera que iacet subtus pratum. Preterea dedit eisdem duos denarios anui redditus—uidelicet unum denarium ad Pascha de Michaelle le Herice de Peychirre pro duabus acris terre in campis de Glynton, et unum denarium de Johanne Kyng de Wytherington ad Natale Domini pro una triroda terre que iacet in campis de Paston, et dimidia acra in campis de Walton—quos michi reddere solebant pro dicto tenemento; tenenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi unum denarium ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290; for the parties, cf. nos. 126, 129, 131, &c.; Michael le Herice was son of Reginald, the tenant in the Surveys, and occurs frequently in the mid or late 13th century (see no. 277).

<sup>a</sup> et—suis *underlined*; sibi was obviously also meant to be cancelled.

<sup>b</sup> parc' MS. ? for part(iculas).

<sup>c</sup> iacens' MS.

139. Grant by John son of William of Walton to William his brother of his capital messuage<sup>1</sup> in the vill of Walton and all the lands and meadows, rents and homages which he had by grant of his father in and out of Walton, with 1 acre in the same field (i.e. in Walton) which he had by grant of Alice his sister, in *Westcroft* next the land of Walter atte Townsend, save one furlong called *Marchebyt* furlong lying between the abbot's land and John's own. He also granted to William his rights in the houses, lands, and rents from the messuage which Margery of Stamford once held in Peterborough; to be held of the chief lords for the service due. *Probably 1276-84*

Item Johannes filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Willelmo fratri suo capitale mesuagium suum in uilla de Walton et omnes terras suas et prata, redditus et homagia quas habuit de dono patris sui in uilla et in campis de Walton et extra, una cum una acra in eodem campo, quam habuit de dono Alicie sororis sue, iacentem in *Westcroft* iuxta terram Walteri ad exitum uille, salua una cultura que uocatur *Marchebyt* forlong que iacet inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo et terram predicti Johannis. Preterea dedit eidem Willelmo omne ius et clamium quod habuit in domibus, terris, redditibus de mesuagio quod Margeria de Staunford quondam tenuit in uilla de Burgo; tenenda de capitalibus dominis feodorum, faciendo capitali domino (*sic*) seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See no. 131.

140. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman of Walton with the assent of Cecily his wife to Roger Thorold and Matilda his wife of an annual rent of 1½*d.*, ½*d.* which Roger and Matilda used to pay for a meadow between Werrington and Walton (see no. 136) and 1*d.* which Mariota daughter of Beatrice used to pay for a cottage by the messuage of William le Wodereve of Walton. *Second half of 13th century*

Item (Willelmus<sup>c</sup>) Gilbertus Blakeman de Walton assensu Cecilie uxoris sue dedit Rogero Torold et Matilde uxori sue redditum trium obolorum anui redditus—uidelicet obolus qui (*sic*) predicti Rogerus et Matilda sibi [*f. 20*] (reddere) solebant pro prato inter Wytherington et Walton ad festum Petri et Pauli aduincula (*sic*)<sup>a</sup> et denarius qui (*sic*) Mariota<sup>b</sup> filia Beatricis michi reddere solebat ad Natale Domini pro uno cotagio quod iacet iuxta mesuagium Willelmi le Wodereue in Walton; tenendum etc. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Slightly later than no. 136, but before 132. William le Wodereve is mentioned in no. 181 (1316).

141. Quit-claim (with warranty) by William son of Gilbert Blakeman to Walter of Lodington and Matilda his wife of his rights in a rent of 7½*d.* with appurtenances in Walton, in the whole meadow of Walton brook, in South meadow, and in *Wryngetonemedue*; performing the services due to the chief lords. *c. 1290-1309*

Item Willelmus filius Gilberti Blakeman remisit pro se et pro heredibus et quietum clamauit Waltero de Lodyngton et Matilde uxori eius totum ius et clamium quod habuit in vij denariis et obolo redditus cum pertinenciis in Walton, et in toto prato de Waltonebroc, in Southmedue et in *Wryngetonemedue*; tenendum etc., faciendo capitalibus dominis feodorum seruicia debita. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 131.

142. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to Robert Loue of Werrington of 1 acre, of which ½ acre lies in Walton between the land of John atte Green and of William Athelin, abutting at one end on *Wellegrene*, and ½ acre in Gunthorpe being a headland on which Sir Thomas of Gunthorpe's furlong abuts (at one end) and the land of Robert of Cathwaite on the other; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* *Probably before 1274*

<sup>a</sup> Doubtless et Pauli should have been cancelled.

<sup>b</sup> Marior<sup>r</sup> MS.

<sup>1</sup> i.e. the headquarters of his holding; cf. no. 153.

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Roberto Luue de Wytheryngton unam acram terre, unde dimidia acra iacet in campis de Walton inter terram Johannis ad le Grene et terram tunc Willelmi Athelyn, et abuttat uno capite super Wellegrene, et dimidia acra in campis de Gunethorp, scilicet una forera super quam cultura domini Thome de Gunethorp abuttat, et terra Roberti de Catheweyth ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium in festo Bartholomei apostoli. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290, and before 1274 if Thomas of Gunthorpe (died 1274, P, p. 70 n.) was alive. Thomas was great-great-nephew of the Ivo of Gunthorpe of nos. 513-14 (P, p. 70 n.; cf. V2, f. 41). For the donor, cf. no. 126.

143. Grant by William of Amwell to Roger of Meriden of the serjeanty pertaining to the messuage which he sold him in the vill of Walton; to be held of himself and his heirs, rendering to the chief lord the service due from the serjeanty (cf. nos. 152 (?), 160).

1281-90

Item Willelmus de Amewell dedit etc. Rogero de Myriden sergenciam quam (*sic*) pertinet ad mesuagium quam (*sic*) sibi uendidit in uilla de Walton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo capitali domino (sergenciam<sup>e</sup>) seruicium quod pertinet ad sergenciam. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ubi Thomas Faber manet. Rogerus de Miriden uendidit Roberto de Mithinges-  
(by) persone de Paston et ille nobis (?).<sup>i</sup>)

*Date.* In nos. 156-69 William of Amwell built up his holding in Walton; in nos. 143 and 146 he sold out to Roger of Meriden, who in his turn sold the holding to Robert of Miningsby, rector of Paston (see glosses to 143, 146). Two of William's acquisitions were made after c. 1275, and one of his documents is dated 1281 (no. 159). No. 143 should be pre-1290, and 146 probably had the same form of *tenenda* clause. We are told in F (p. 314) that William of Amwell, bailiff of Easton, died in April 1293, and his son Henry is referred to in 1294 (ChP, pp. 129-30). This makes a date c. 1290 likely for 143 and 146, with 1281-90(93) as the outside limits.

Roger of Meriden, bailiff of Boroughbury, occurs in the Boroughbury account roll of 1289-90 and is mentioned c. 1300 (no. 17; cf. also no. 145). Robert of Miningsby first occurs on 2 January 1301/2; on 30 March 1304 he did homage for holdings in Peterborough, Walton, Dogsthorpe, Newark, Garton, and Eye (V2, f. 49<sup>v</sup>). This must have included both William of Amwell's old holding and the 'Gimiges' fee (see P, pp. 83-84), which Robert had acquired from Gilbert of Sutton in 1303-4 (S, pp. 156-7; cf. N, f. 152<sup>v</sup>). Spiritual endowment followed temporal, and he was presented by the abbot and convent to the church of Luddington (in the Brook) in 1305, and in November 1308 to the church of Paston (V2, ff. 81, 82<sup>v</sup>). On 18 February 1308/9 Robert of Miningsby's holding—a messuage in Walton and land in Walton, Paston, Gunthorpe, and Werrington—was granted by the abbot and convent to Walter of Muston and his wife (V2, f. 118). Whittlesey tells us that Abbot Godfrey bought lands in the four places named from Robert of Miningsby for £9 (S, p. 155). Abbot Godfrey's charter (V2, loc. cit.) notes that an old serjeanty 'pro officio curie de Castr' (as no. 160) attached to the tenement had been extinguished; this clearly refers to the serjeanty of the present charter.

Thus William of Amwell sold to Roger of Meriden c. 1290, Roger to Robert of Miningsby c. 1304, Robert to the abbot c. 1309, when the abbot enfeoffed Walter of Muston with the holdings for a substantial rent.

144. Grant by Aumfrey of Paston<sup>1</sup> of 1 acre in the West field between the land of Robert Carpenter of Peterborough and of Walter of Walton, abutting at one end on the land of Walter Blakeman; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*l*.

Probably early 13th century

Item Amfrida de Paston dedit etc. unam acram terre in Westfeld inter terram Roberti carpentarii de Burgo et terram Walteri de Walton, et abuttat uno capite super terram Walteri Blakeman; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus duos denarios ad festum Sancti Bartholomei apostoli. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>1</sup> No recipient is named, but presumably the grant was to her daughter Agnes—see no. 149.

*Date.* Before no. 149, and so, before the Surveys—the two Walters have been replaced in 149 by their successors who occur in the Surveys (unless, that is, 'Walter' Blakeman is an error for William).

145. Quit-claim by William son of Gilbert Blakeman to Roger of Meriden and Rose his wife, their heirs and assigns, of his rights in 3 acres in Walton, in accordance with his father's charter. c. 1300

Item Willelmus filius Gilberti Blakeman de Walton remisit et quietum clamavit Rogero de Miriden et Royse uxori sue et heredibus [*f. 20<sup>v</sup>*] uel eorum assignatis totum ius et clamium quod habuit in tres acras terre in campis de Walton, sicut carta patris sui testatur. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For the parties cf. nos. 141, 143.

146. Grant by William of Amwell of Walton to Roger of Meriden and Rose his wife, their heirs and assigns, of his entire holding in the vill of Walton with its buildings, and all his arable and meadow with the tools in his house; performing the services due to the chief lords. 1281-90

Item Willelmus de Amewell in Walton dedit etc. Rogero de Myrideyn et Royse uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, totum tenementum suum in uilla de Walton cum edificiis, et totam terram suam et pratum una cum utensilibus domus sue ibidem inuentis; tenenda etc., reddendo capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Cum warentia et sine data. (*At foot of f. 20<sup>v</sup>, but marked as a gloss to this charter: Ipse Willelmus uendit Rogero de Miriden et Rogerus Roberto de Mithinggesby rectori de Paston et ille nobis et sic tenet Thomas faber de nobis ad uoluntatem.*<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. no. 143.

147. Grant by Henry Puttok to Roger Thorold of Walton and Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of his whole courtyard with the ramparts on either side lying at *Fulebrigge*, between the royal road and his meadow. He also granted them an annual rent of 2½*d.*, which they used to pay for the holding which they held of him in Paston and Walton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* Before 1290

Item Henricus Puttok dedit etc. Rogero Torold de Walton et Matilde uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, totum curtilagium suum cum fossatis ex utraque parte iacens<sup>a</sup> apud *Fulebrigge*, iuxta uiam regiam ex una parte et pratum suum ex altera. Preterea dedit eisdem duos denarios et quadrantem anni redditus quos sibi reddere consueuerunt pro tenemento quod de se tenent in territorio de Paston et Walton; tenenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 130.

148. Grant by Hugh Carpenter of Walton to Roger Thorold and Matilda his wife of 3½ roods of arable and all his meadow at *Fulebrigge* with two ditches on either side, lying between the meadow of the parson of Paston and the meadow of William Welle; ½ acre of arable lies on *Hayforlong* next the land of Richard of Deene, and 1½ roods in the same furlong next the land of Geoffrey of Southorpe, abutting on the headland of Richard of Deene; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 6*d.*, doubled for relief. 1274-90

Item Hugo carpentarius de Walton dedit etc. Rogero Torold et Matilde uxori sue unam trirodam terre et dimidiam et totum pratum suum apud *Fulebrigge* una cum duabus fossibus ex utraque parte predicti prati spectantibus, et iacet inter pratum persone de Paston et pratum Willelmi Welle; et una dimidia acra terre iacet super *Hayforlong* iuxta terram Ricardi de Den;

<sup>a</sup> iacent' MS.

et una roda et dimidia in eadem cultura iacentes iuxta terram Galfridi de Suthorp, et abuttat (*sic*) super foreram Ricardi de Den; tenenda de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus vj denarios ad duos anni terminos, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290. Geoffrey of Southorpe held his lands from 1274-5, and died in 1291 (P, pp. 70-71 n.); for another man of the same name, who occurs in 1293, see no. 60.

149. Grant by Alice daughter of Aumfrey of Paston to Roger (? for Robert) son of Margery (or Margaret)<sup>1</sup> of Stanton of 1 acre on the West field of Walton, between the land of Robert Carpenter of Peterborough and the land then held by Richard son of Walter of Werrington, abutting at one end on the land of William Blakeman and at the other on the land of William son of Everard of Dogsthorpe; to be held of Hugh son of William Aumfrey of Paston for an annual rent of 2d. (see nos. 34, 144).  
*Mid 13th century*

Item Alicia filia Amfride de Paston dedit etc. Rogero filio Margerie de Staunton unam acram terre iacentem in Westfeld de Walton, inter terram Roberti carpentarii de Burgo ex una parte et terram tunc (Walteri filii<sup>c</sup>) Ricardi filii Walteri de Wytherington ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Willelmi Blakeman et alio capite super terram Willelmi filii Euerardi de Dodisthorp; tenendam de Hugone [f. 21] filio Willelmi Aumfrey de Paston, reddendo inde annuatim dicto Hugoni et heredibus suis duos denarios ad festum Sancti Bartholomei apostoli. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Approximately a generation separates no. 144 from no. 149: three of the persons named in 144 have been succeeded, two of them certainly by their children. Nos. 149 and 34 seem closer together: the neighbours are the same, save that William Everard is 'quondam'. This may not signify much, but it is reasonable to assume that the donor of 34 is identical with the recipient of 149, and the chief lord is the same in both. A Richard son of Walter and a William Blakeman occur in the Surveys, and although there was another William Blakeman later in the century, it is reasonable to suggest a date in the middle of the century for 149; indeed, if 'Walter' Blakeman is the correct reading in 144, he almost certainly preceded the elder William, since he is otherwise unknown. No. 34 cannot be much earlier than c. 1275, since the recipient was still active in 1309-10. We may thus date 144 early and 149 mid 13th century, and 34 c. 1275. For William Everard, see P, pp. 109-10 (which fits a date in the middle of the century for him).

150. Grant by Robert Pitman of Peterborough to John Loue of Dogsthorpe and his heirs of 1 acre of meadow in Werrington Inhams, between his own meadow in the same holding and the meadow of Simon atte Pol of Walton, abutting to the north on the *Fendich* and at the other end on the road from Werrington to Peakirk; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 3d., and the same for relief.  
*c. 1290*

Item Robertus Pyteman de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni Loue de Dodisthorp et heredibus suis unam acram prati sicut iacet in longitudine et latitudine in Wytherington Innome, inter pratum suum eiusdem tenementi ex una parte et pratum Simonis atte Pol de Walton, et abuttat uno capite uersus aquilonem super le Fendich, alio super uiam per quam itur de Wytherington apud Peychirche; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus tres denarios ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, et pro releuio dabit tres d. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290. For the donor, cf. no. 154; the recipient is mentioned in 189, 205 (before 1290), and occurs in 1317 (V2, f. 117<sup>v</sup>); cf. also the margin of no. 94.

151. Grant by Stephen Pitman of Peterborough to Ralph son of Henry *cum barba* ('the bearded') of Walton of 1 acre in Walton on *Brocforlong*, between Ralph's own land and the land then held by Hugh atte Well, abutting to the north on the abbot's land and to the south on land then held by Ralph son of Margery; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.  
*Probably third quarter of 13th century*

<sup>1</sup> Margery was originally a variant of Margaret, and the two names were not fully distinguished at this date. Comparison of 34 and 149 makes it reasonably certain that Robert son of Margaret and Roger son of Margery were the same men, and one of the two texts must be in error about his Christian name.

Item Stephanus Pyteman de Burgo dedit etc. Radulpho filio Henrici cum barba de Walton unam acram terre in campis de Walton super Brocforlong, iacentem inter terram dicti Radulphi ex una parte et terram tunc Hugonis ad puteum ex altera, et abuttat ad unum capud super terram abbatis de Burgo uersus aquilonem et aliud super terram tunc Radulphi filii Margerie uersus australem; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis *jd.* ad Natale Domini. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Stephen Piteman occurs in and after the middle of the century (nos. 42, 46); Ralph son of Margery in the third quarter of the century (no. 168).

152. Grant without warranty by William Puttok of Walton to Maud his daughter and her heirs of his house in the vill of Walton and all the land which he had himself acquired (or purchased);<sup>1</sup> to be held of the abbot by free serjeanty, i.e. for summoning the abbot's court and distraining the men amerced in the abbot's court within the hundred of Nassaborough, and going with others of the shire as a bailiff for making the king's fishponds, enclosing his park, or digging a rampart round a castle, for which journey he has had the whole aid imposed on the best vill in the hundred of Nassaborough for these tasks.

Item Willelmus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Maud filie sue et heredibus suis domum suam in uilla de Walton et totam terram quam habuit de adquisicione sua; tenendas de domino abbate de Burgo et conuentu eiusdem loci et successoribus eorum per liberum seruicium sergantie, scilicet summonendi curiam abbatis de Burgo et distringendi homines amerciatos in curia domini abbatis infra Nassum, et eundi cum prouincialibus sicut balliui ad uiuaria domini regis facienda, siue parcum claudendum, siue fossatum leuandum circa castrum, pro quo itinere ipse habuit totum auxilium impositum meliori uille infra Nassum Burgi ad predicta opera agenda pro expensis suis. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* This remarkable document cannot be dated. The absence of a warranty clause perhaps suggests an early date. Cf. nos. 143, 160.

153. Grant by William son of Walton to Roger Thorold of Walton and Matilda his wife of his capital messuage in the vill of Walton and all his lands, meadows, rents, and homages which he held in the vill and fields in and out of Walton (see no. 139) with rents of 6½*d.* and with the meadow in *Southmede* which he had bought from Gilbert Blakeman (no. 133); to be held of the chief lords for the services due. 1290-3

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Rogero Thorold de Walton et Matildi uxori sue capitale mesuagium suum in uilla de Walton et omnes terras suas, prata, redditus et homagia quas habuit in [*f. 21<sup>v</sup>*] uilla et in campis de Walton et extra, una cum redditibus, sex denar' obolum (*sic*), et cum prato in *Southmede* quod habuit ex uendicione Gilberti Blakeman; tenenda de capitalibus dominis, faciendo capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably after 1290 (but see note to 131); and earlier than no. 165, in which Matilda Thorold is a widow.

154. Grant by Robert Piteman of Peterborough to John Smith of Walton and Isabel his wife and their heirs of 1 acre in Walton on *Blakemeld*, between the land of Thomas son of Ralph and of John Reeve, abutting at one end on the abbot's land and at the other on the road from Walton to Milton; and a part (? one-third) of a meadow, 6 perches broad, in *Southmede* by the meadow of Walter of Loddington on the east; performing the service due to the chief lord. c. 1290-c. 1309

Item Robertus Pyteman de Burgo dedit etc. Johanni fabro de Walton et Isabelle uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam acram terre iacentem in teritorio

<sup>1</sup> *Acquisitio* normally means 'purchase', but can have a wider sense. There seems to be a contrast here between what William had by inheritance and what he had by acquisition.

de Walton super Blakemeld inter terram Thome filii Radulphi ex una parte et terram Johannis prepositi ex altera, et abuttat in uno capite super terram domini abbatis de Burgo et in alio capite super uiam que se ducit de Walton apud Milton; et unam partem prati iacentem in Southmede iuxta pratum Walteri de Lydington uersus orientem, et pratum continet in latitudine sex perticatas; tenenda dictam acram terre et pratum, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably after 1290. The dates given are those of Walter of Loddington (cf. no. 131).

155. Grant by William son of William of Walton to Walter son of Simon Pampelyn of Walton, Amice his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre of meadow in *Westeing* between the meadow of Ralph Loue of Walton and the meadow then held by Simon son of Geoffrey of Glington, abutting at one end on Northborough dyke and at the other on the meadow of Robert Freeman of Glington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$   
c. 1275-90

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Waltero filio Simonis Pampelyn de Walton et Amicie uxori sue et heredibus eorum unam acram prati iacentem in *Westeing* inter pratum Radulphi Loue de Walton et pratum tunc Simonis filii Galfridi de Glynton, et abuttat uno capite super Northburdick et altero super pratum Roberti Freman de Glington; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum obolum ad Pentecosten. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably between no. 139 and 1290. Robert Freeman of Glington occurs often before and once (no. 274) after 1290; he may just possibly be the Robert Freeman of Fiskerton of the Surveys.

156. Grant by Roger Thorold of Walton to William of Amwell of 1 rood in Werrington between the land of Reginald Red and the land once held by John Kyng; for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$   
Before c. 1290

Item Rogerus Thorald de Walton dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell unam rodam terre in campis de Wytherington inter terram Reginaldi Red ex una parte et terram quondam Johannis Kyng ex altera; tenendam etc., reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Omnium Sanctorum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 156-69 must all be earlier than 1293, when William of Amwell died (no. 143). Roger Thorold died c. 1290 (no. 131 n.); in any case both 156 and 157 appear to be pre-1290. Nos. 161-2, 164, 166-7, 169 are before 1290; but presumably none of these documents is very much earlier.

157. Grant by William de Nevile of Paston to William of Amwell, Joan his wife, and their heirs, of an annual rent of 2s. from the hall in Peterborough which Ralph of Waldesawe once held; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of one clove, and 2s. to the nuns of Stamford.  
Late 13th century

Item Willelmus de Neule in Paston dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue et heredibus suis duos solidos annui redditus de aula in Burgo, quam quidam Radulphus de Waldesawe quondam tenuit; tenendos etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum de gyloffr' ad Pascha et monialibus de Staunford duos solidos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 156; and for William de Nevile, no. 107.

158. Concession by Henry Puttok to William of Amwell, Joan his wife, and their heirs, that if he should sell the toft and croft he holds of them in the vill of Gunthorpe in whole or part, he shall give them the first option, provided they are ready to pay a reasonable price.  
Late 13th century (? c. 1281)

Item Henricus Puttok concessit Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue et eorum heredibus quod si ita contingat se toftum et croftum [*f.* 22] quod tenet de predictis Willelmo et Johanna in uilla de Gunethorp alicui uendere debet (*sic*) in parte uel in toto, predicti (Johanna<sup>e</sup>) Willelmus et Johanna erunt propinquiore pre aliis hominibus, dum tantum<sup>a</sup> uelint persoluere secundum rationem iuris tantum. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 159. For the parties cf. also nos. 126, 143.

159. Quit-claim by Henry Puttok of all quarrels against William of Amwell, from the creation of the world to Wednesday, 16 April 1281. *c.* 16 April 1281

Item Henricus Puttok remisit omnes contenciones ex quacumque casu subortas uersus Willelmum de Ameuile, ab inicio mundi usque diem Mercurii in septimana Pasche anno regni regis E(dwardi) nono.

160. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to William of Amwell and Joan his wife of his capital messuage in the vill of Walton with serjeanty of the court of Castor and a rent of 7½*d.*; performing the service due to the abbot. *Late 13th century* (? *c.* 1281)

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue capitale mesuagium suum in uilla de Walton cum seriancia curie de Castre una cum redditu septem denariorum, oboli et unius quadrantis; tenendum etc., faciendo domino abbati de Burgo seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. nos. 143, 158-9.

161. Grant by Solomon of Werrington to William of Amwell, Joan his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 2 acres in Paston on *Watonyswong*, between the land of Ascelin Palmer and his own land, abutting at one end on the *Wacyck* and at the other on *Hutgongys*, with a headland and a ditch at either end; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* *Before 1290*

Item Salamon de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, duas acras terre in campo de Paston que iacent super Watonyswong, inter terram Ascelini Palmer ex una parte et terram suam ex altera, et abuttant in uno capite super le Wacyck et in alio capite super Hutgongys, una cum forera et uno fossato ad utrumque capud adiacentibus; tenendas de (me<sup>e</sup>) se et heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The recipient makes a date not long before 1290 likely. For the donor and his family, see above, p. lxii. Ascelin Palmer occurs in 1269 and 1299 (F, pp. 81-82, 97).

162. Grant by Roger Loue of Werrington to William of Amwell and Joan his wife of ½ acre in Gunthorpe on Hamfield, a headland of the furlong called *Haustyle*, lying next the land of Simon of Holland, abutting at one end on the land of Robert Peverel of Paston and at the other on land then held by Henry Beyhyld of Gunthorpe; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* *Before 1290*

Item Rogerus Loue de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Gunethorp adiacentem super Ham, que est forera culture que uocatur Haustyle et iacet iuxta terram Symonis de Hoylond, et abuttat in uno capite super terram Roberti Peuerel de Paston et in alio capite super terram tunc Henrici Beyhyld de Gunthorp; tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum Bartholomei apostoli. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> *sic MS., perhaps for tamen.*



163. Grant by Henry Puttok to William of Amwell and Joan his wife of the whole garden which he held of William son of William of Walton in the vill of Walton, next their own messuage; the service due to be rendered to himself and his heirs. c. 1276-93

Item Henricus Puttok dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue totum gardinum suum quod tenuit de Willelmo filio Willelmi de Walton in eadem uilla de Walton, iacens<sup>a</sup> iuxta mesuagium dictorum Willelmi et Johanne; tenendum etc., reddendo sibi et heredibus suis [*f. 22<sup>v</sup>*] seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Dated by William son of William of Walton and William of Amwell (see nos. 131, 143); but probably not late in this period (for Henry Puttok, cf. no. 126).

164. Grant by Gilbert of Werrington, clerk, and Cecily his wife, to William of Amwell and his heirs of 1 acre in *Hammeswro* in Walton, between the land of Richard son of Walter and of Ralph Loue, abutting at one end on William Neuman's land towards Marholm mill and at the other on the abbot's land; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of 2½*d.* *Second half of 13th century*

Item Gilbertus de Wetherington clericus et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Willelmo de Amewell et heredibus suis unam acram terre iacentem in Hammeswro in territorio de Walton, inter terram Ricardi filii Walteri ex una parte et terram Radulphi Loue ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Willelmi Neuman uersus milnum de Marham et in alio super terram domini abbatis de Burgo; tenendam de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo illis et heredibus eorum *ijd.* et obolum ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290 (cf. no. 161); perhaps somewhat before 166 (cf. 'quondam Willelmi Neuman'); for Richard son of Walter cf. no. 149.

165. Confirmation without warranty (? quit-claim) by Matilda widow of Roger Thorold of Walton in free widowhood to William of Amwell, Joan his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre and ½ rood in Hamfield in Paston, granted them by Roger Thorold her husband (? cf. nos. 156, 169). c. 1290-3

Item Matilda relicta Rogeri Torald de Walton concessit et confirmauit in libera uiduitate etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam acram terre et dimidiam rodam quam Rogerus Torald maritus suus eis dedit, et iacent in campis de Paston in uno loco qui uocatur Ham. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See no. 156 n.

166. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman and Cecily his wife to William of Amwell and Joan his wife of 3 acres in Walton, of which 1 lies outside the vill of Walton between land once William Neuman's and the land of Ralph Loue; another in *Grymmeswro* between the land of Richard son of Walter and the land of Ralph Loue; ½ acre in *Gorle* between the land of Gilbert and Cecily and of Stephen Piteman; and ½ acre on the Hill between the land of Stephen Piteman and of Henry Paston; to be held of themselves for an annual rent of 1 rood of ginger, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue tres acras terre in campis de Walton, quarum una iacet extra uillam de Walton inter terram quondam Willelmi Neuman et terram Radulphi Loue; et alia acra iacet in illo loco qui uocatur Grymmeswro inter terram Ricardi filii Walteri et terram Radulphi Loue; et dimidia acra iacet in *Gorle* inter terram predictorum Gilberti et Cecilie et terram Stephani Pyteman; et una dimidia acra iacet super Hyl inter terram Stephani Pyteman et terram Henrici Paston; habendas etc. dictis Willelmo et Johanne et eorum

<sup>a</sup> iacent' MS., perhaps for iacentem, treating gardinum as masculine.

heredibus de predictis Gilberto et Cecilia, reddendo per annum unam radicem gingeberis pro omni seruicio etc., et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 164. The recipients suggest a late date, Piteman and Richard son of Walter a date nearer the middle of the century (cf. nos. 151, 149).

167. Grant by Robert Peverel of Paston to William of Amwell, Joan his wife, and their heirs, of one acre in Paston, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies on Meadow furlong between the land of Geoffrey son of Robert of Gunthorpe and the land of the parson of Paston, abutting on the meadow called *Grenhers*, and the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies on *Bradwong* between the land of Geoffrey son of Robert of Gunthorpe and of the parson of Paston, abutting on the land of Matilda Sweyn of Dogsthorpe; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.

*Before 1290*

Item Robertus Peuerel de Paston dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewelle et Johanne uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam acram terre in campis de Paston, cuius dimidia acra iacet super Medouforlong inter terram Galfridi filii Roberti de Gunthorp et terram persone de Paston, et abuttat super pratum quod uocatur Grenhers; et alia dimidia acra iacet super Bradwong inter terram Galfridi filii Roberti de Gunthorp et terram persone de Paston, et abuttat super terram Matilde [f. 23] Sweyn de Dodesthorp; habendam etc. de ipso et de heredibus suis predictis Willelmo et Johanne et eorum heredibus, reddendo annuatim unum denarium ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

168. Grant by John son of William of Walton to William of Amwell and Joan his wife of 3 acres in Walton, of which 1—*Slohtakir*—lies with John atte Green's land on either side;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Cleyforlong* between land once Richard of Paston's and the land of William Neuman, abutting at one end on Richard's headland and at the other on the land of Ralph atte Well;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies on *Stubforlong* between the land of Richard son of Walter and the land of Hugh Pampelyn, abutting at one end on the abbot's furlong called *Waliswong* and at the other on the land of Ralph son of Margery;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre . . . (this repeats the description of the previous  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre);<sup>1</sup> and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Kydecroft* with the abbot's lands on either side and at both ends; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d., doubled for relief.

*Probably 1275-84*

Item Johannes filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et Johanne uxori sue tres acras terre in campis de Walton, quarum una<sup>a</sup> *Slohtakir* et iacet inter terram Johannis atte Grene ex utraque parte; et una dimidia acra iacet in *Cleyforlong* inter terram quondam Ricardi de Paston et terram Willelmi Neuman, et abuttat uno capite super foreram dicti Ricardi et alio capite super terram Radulphi ad fontem; et dimidia acra iacet super *Stubforlong* inter terram Ricardi filii Walteri et terram Hugonis Pampelyn, et abuttat uno capite super culturam abbatis que uocatur *Waliswong* et alio capite super terram Radulphi filii Margerie; et dimidia acra iacet super *Stubforlong* inter terram Hugonis Pampelyn et terram Ricardi filii Walteri, et abuttat uno capite super terram abbatis et alio capite super terram Radulphi filii Margerie;<sup>1</sup> et dimidia acra iacet in *Kydecroft* inter terras abbatis ex utraque parte, et abuttat utroque capite super terras abbatis; habendas etc. dictis Willelmo et Johanne et eorum heredibus de predicto Johanne et heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim unum denarium ad Pascha pro omni seruicio, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See 131 n., 139.

<sup>a</sup> Something seems to be missing, but the meaning is not in doubt.

<sup>1</sup> This passage seems to be a mere repetition, and may replace another clause now lost, since this  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre is needed to make up the total.

169. Grant by Roger Thorold to William of Amwell and his heirs of 3 roods in Gunthorpe in Hamfield, between the land of Geoffrey son of Thomas of Southorpe and of Simon atte Cross of Werrington, abutting on the abbot's land towards the west and extending to the wood called *Hauelond* at the other end; to be held of Roger and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* 1274-90

Item Rogerus Torold dedit etc. Willelmo de Amewell et heredibus suis tres rodas terre in campis de Gunthorp in loco qui uocatur Ham, iacentes inter terram Galfridi filii Thome de Suthorp ex parte una et Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington ex altera, et abuttant super terram domini abbatis uersus occidentem et extendunt se ad nemus quod uocatur Hauelond ad aliud capud; habendas etc. de predicto Rogero et heredibus suis predicto Willelmo etc., reddendo inde annuatim unum denarium ad festum Omnium Sanctorum pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 148.

170. Grant by John of Riseley to Roger son of William son of (?) Palmer of Walton, his heirs and assigns, of 1 rood lying at *Heg* in the *Ayri brok* (? cf. no. 173), between the land of Henry Mantild of Walton and the land of Alice Brounye, abutting to the east on the abbot's meadow and on the abbot's arable to the west; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of ¼*d.* ? Mid 13th century

[f. 23<sup>v</sup>] Item Johannes de Rysele dedit etc. Rogero filio Willelmi filii (*sic*) Paumer de Walton, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam rodam terre iacentem atte *Heg* in le *Ayri brok*, inter terram Henrici Mantild de Walton et terram Alicie Brunye, et abuttat unum capud super pratum domini abbatis uersus orientem et aliud super terram arabilem dicti abbatis uersus occidentem; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum quadrantem ad Natale Domini. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290, and before no. 173 (in which the land is passed on)—though not by a great margin, since both parties were still alive; apparently, too, before no. 134, in which John of Riseley may be dead. For Henry Mantild cf. no. 191—he may have been son to Mantilda of Walton of the Surveys.

171. Grant without warranty by Cecily daughter of John of Walton to Reginald son of John of Ailsworth of 5 acres in Walton which her father granted her and 1 rood, as follows: 1 acre abutting on the high road by the land of William Neuman, ½ acre—a headland—in *Ouere Blakmylde* by the land of John atte Green, ½ acre abutting on the abbot's land lying next the land of Richard Brounye, ¼ acre next the land of Walter son of Robert, ¼ acre above the land of Geoffrey Forester and of Simon son of Lefsi, ¼ acre next the land of Simon son of Pampelyn, abutting on the headland of William Blakeman, 1 acre in *Westcroft* between the land of William son of John and of William Neuman, ½ acre in *Gorle* next the land of William Neuman, abutting on the land of William Blakeman, and 1 rood next the land of Richard Tailor; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of 3*d.* Mid or late 13th century

Item Cecilia filia Johannis de Walton dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Johannis de Eylisworth quinque acras terre in campis de Walton quas pater suus sibi dedit et unam rodam, uidelicet unam acram capitantem super magnum chiminum iuxta terram Willelmi Neuman, et unam dimidiam acram scilicet unam fore-ram in *Ouere Blakmylde* iuxta terram Johannis atte Grene, et unam dimidiam acram capitantem super terram domini abbatis iacentem iuxta terram Ricardi Brunye, et terciam partem unius acre que iacet iuxta terram Walteri filii Roberti, et terciam partem alterius acre iacentem super terram Galfridi forestarii et terram Simonis filii Lefsi,<sup>a</sup> et unam dimidiam acram que iacet iuxta terram Simonis filii Pampelyn et capitat super foreram Willelmi Blakeman, et unam acram in *Westcroft* inter terram Willelmi filii Johannis et terram Willelmi Neuman, et unam dimidiam acram in *Gorle* iuxta terram Willelmi

<sup>a</sup> The total is said to be 5 acres and 1 rood; but only 4½ acres and 1 rood are accounted for. Perhaps a clause has fallen out describing another ½ acre. In no. 183 an extra ½ acre is included.

Neuman et abuttat super terram Willelmi Blakeman, et unam rodam iuxta terram Ricardi cissoris; tenendas de (predicta Cecilia\*) capitali domino, <reddendo capitali domino?> iij denarios ad festum Sancti Michaelis. Sine warentia, sine data.

*Date.* The indications are numerous and confusing. Simon son of Lefsi and William Blakeman occur in the *Surveys*—but there was another William Blakeman at the end of the century (cf. nos. 141, 145). The place of this charter in the collection suggests the possibility of the recipient being Reginald Reeve (see below), and the absence of warranty may suggest an early date. William Neuman is three times mentioned: he is 'quondam' in no. 166, before 1290. John of Ailsworth occurred in 1283 (Nassaborough Hundred Court Roll). The donor may well be daughter to the John of Walton who died c. 1276 or a little later (no. 131 n.), or, indeed, to a still earlier John who was dead before c. 1230 (P, p. 142 n.); a slight indication in no. 183 (q.v.) may point to the earlier John. On the whole these details suggest a date in the middle of the century.

On the other hand, John atte Green (dead by 1318, no. 182) and Richard Brounye (dead by 1316, and succeeded by his son of the same name, no. 181) may indicate a rather later date; and the *tenendas* clause strongly suggests a date after 1290. The last clue is weakened by evident corruption in the text, which may go farther than we have indicated; and the balance of evidence seems to favour the middle of the century.

172. Grant by Berengar of Werrington and Amice his wife to John Reeve of Walton of 1½ roods in Walton, between the land of William of Mareys and of John himself, which are a part of Amice's dowry from the free holding of Robert Harold her late husband.

*Probably late 13th century*

Item Bernegerus de Wytherington et Amicia uxor eius dederunt, concesserunt etc. Johanni preposito de Walton unam rodam et dimidium terre iacentes in campis de Walton, inter terram Willelmi de Mareys ex una parte et terram predicti Johannis ex [f. 24] altera, que quidem roda et dimidia predictae Amicie nomine dotis contingunt de libero tenemento quod fuit Roberti Harald quondam uiri sui; tenendam etc. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 172–86 mostly consist of grants to John Reeve son of Reginald Reeve, his father Reginald, and his son John. The younger John's grants are dated 1316–20 (nos. 179–82), so that his father presumably flourished in the second half of the 13th century (say c. 1290) and his grandfather in the mid 13th century (say c. 1250–60). These very approximate dates are confirmed (a) by the fact that most, but not all, the grants to John I are before 1290, (b) by the occurrence in the charters of John I of such names as Richard Brounye and John of Riseley (no. 173), Gilbert and Cecily Blakeman (no. 174, 186), William son of William of Walton (fl. c. 1275–c. 1290 or a little later—nos. 184, 186), William of Amwell (no. 184), Robert Harold (no. 185), and (c) in charters of Reginald of William Blakeman the elder (nos. 177–8; cf. above no. 123 n.).

173. Grant by Roger son of William of Walton to John son of Reginald Reeve of Walton, Lettice his wife, and their heirs, of 1 rood at le *Heges* in the *Byribrok* (? cf. no. 170) of Walton, between the land of Richard Brounye and his own land, abutting at one end on the abbot's meadow and at the other on the abbot's arable; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to John of Riseley and his heirs of ½d., doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Rogerus filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Johanni filio Reginaldi prepositi de Walton, Leticie uxori sue et heredibus eorum, unam rodam terre iacentem apud le *Heges* in le *Byribrok* de Walton, inter terram Ricardi Brounye et terram suam ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super pratum domini abbatis de Burgo et alio super terram arabilem dicti abbatis; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo Johanni de Risele\* et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Natale Domini, et pro releuio firma unius <anni> duplicabitur. Cum warentia, sine data.

174. Quit-claim by Gilbert Blakeman of Walton with the assent of Cecily his wife to John son of Reginald, late reeve of Walton, of his rights in an annual rent of ½d., which John used to pay him for ½ acre in Walton in a furlong called *Maureforlong*, next the land of Henry Shepherd. *Late 13th century*

\* Fisele MS. (See no. 170, and cf. 134).

Item Gilbertus Blakeman de Walton assensu Cecilie uxoris sue concessit et quietum clamavit Johanni filio Reginaldi quondam prepositi de Walton totum ius et clamium quod habuit in uno obolo anui redditus, quam (*sic*) sibi solebat reddere pro una dimidia acra terre iacentis in campis de Walton in una cultura que uocatur Maureforlong, iuxta terram Henrici pastoris. Sine warentia et sine data.

175. Grant by Walter Loue of Werrington to John atte Green of Walton, Lettice his wife, and their heirs, of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Paston and Walton, between the land of the parson of Paston and of Hugh le Caveler, abutting at one end on the headland of Agnes Underwood and at the other on *Aysfurlong*; to be held of the abbot for an annual rent of 1d. (see nos. 237, 182).  
c. 1300

Item Walterus Loue de Wytherington dedit etc. Johanni a la Grene de (Paston<sup>e</sup>) Walton et Leticie uxori sue et heredibus suis unam rodam terre et dimidiam in campis de Paston et Walton, inter terram persone de Paston ex una parte et terram Hugonis le Caueler ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Agnetis Underwode et alio super Aysfurlong; tenendam de domino abbate de Burgo, reddendo inde annuatim domino abbati *jd.* ad festum Sancti Michaelis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Apparently after 1290, but well before 1318, when John atte Green's widow disposed of the property (no. 182). Walter Loue occurs in the 1290's and before (nos. 237, 238, 240), but was still alive in 1320 (Werrington Court Roll). For Agnes Underwood, see no. 20.

176. Grant by William son of Thorold of Werrington, chaplain, to John son of Reginald Reeve of Walton and Lettice his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre of meadow in *Uesting*, between the meadow of John son of Richard of Paston and the meadow of Henry in the Hyrne of Werrington; to be held of the chapel of St. Mary in Paston for an annual rent of a candle worth 1d.  
Late 13th century

Item Willelmus filius Torald de Wytherington capellanus dedit etc. Johanni filio Reginaldi prepositi de Walton et Leticie uxori sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam dimidiam acram prati iacentem [*f. 24<sup>v</sup>*] in *Uesting*, inter pratum Johannis filii Ricardi de Paston ex una parte et pratum Henrici in angulo de Wytherington ex alia; tenendam de Deo et de capella Beate Marie de Paston, reddendo inde annuatim Deo et capelle predictae unam candelam ad ualenciam unius denarii in die Anunciacionis Beate Marie pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Possibly after 1290 (but see p. xvii n.). William son of Thorold may be the man of the same name who occurs in the Surveys, in which case this charter is likely to be earlier in date.

177. Grant by William Blakeman of Walton to Reginald son of John Smith of Walton of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre in Walton in the field called *Maufurlong*, between Reginald's own land and the land of Hugh son of Roger, abutting at one end on the headland of Walter *extra uillam* and at the other on the land of Simon Wolwyn; to be held of himself and his heirs, the service to be doubled for relief (see no. 178).  
Mid 13th century

Item Willelmus Blakeman de Walton dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Johannis fabri de eadem uilla unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de Walton qui uocatur Maufurlong, inter terram dicti Reginaldi ex una parte et terram Hugonis filii Rogeri ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Walteri extra uillam et in alio capite super terram Simonis Wlwyne; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

178. Grant by Reginald Reeve of Walton to John his son of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre in Walton in *Mauforlong*, between the land once held by Reginald Reeve of Walton and the land of Henry atte

Lanesend, abutting at one end on the headland of Walter *extra uillam*; to be held of himself and his heirs for a rent to William Blakeman of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. (see no. 177).

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Reginaldus prepositus de Walton dedit etc. Johanni filio suo unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de (Paston) Walton, scilicet in Maurforlong, inter terram quondam Reginaldi prepositi de Walton et terram Henrici ad capud uenale ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Walteri extra uillam; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo Willelmo Blake-man unum obolum ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* After, but perhaps not long after, no. 177.

179. Grant by Richard Brounye of Walton to John son of John Reeve of Walton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton in the Middle field, between the land of Agnes atte Pol and of John Neuman, abutting at one end on the royal road from Peterborough to Stamford and at the other on the land of Roger atte Well; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.

*20 August 1318*

Item Ricardus Brounye de Walton dedit etc. Johanni filio Johannis prepositi de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Walton quod (*sic*) uocatur le Middelfeld, inter terram Agnetis atte Pol ex una parte et terram Johannis Neuman ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super uiam regiam ducentem de Burgo uersus Staunford et altero super terram Rogeri ad fontem; tenendam de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Walton die Dominica [*f. 25*] proxima post festum Assumpcionis Beate Marie anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) duodecimo.

180. Grant by Alice Carter of Glinton to John son of John Reeve of 1 acre in Walton, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood are in the Middle field between the land of Simon Broun and of Walter Dodeman, abutting at one end on the land of the same Simon and at the other on John's own land;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie in the Church field between the land of John Osbern and of Hugh atte Brok, abutting at one end on the dowry land of Joan widow of John atte Brok and at the other on the road to Mikelmor; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.

*3 February 1319/20*

Item Alicia Cartere de Glynton dedit etc. Johanni filio Johannis prepositi de Walton unam acram terre in campis de Walton, unde una dimidia acra et dimidia roda iacet (*sic*) apud Middelfeld inter terram Simonis Broun et terram Walteri Dodeman, et abuttat uno capite super terram predicti Simonis et in alio capite super terram predicti Johannis filii Johannis; et una roda et dimidia iacet in uno campo quod uocatur le Kyrkefeld inter terram Johannis Osbern' et terram Hugonis atte Brok, et abuttat uno capite super terram quam Johanna quondam uxor Johannis atte Brok habet nomine dotis et alio super uiam que ducit apud Mikelmor; tenendam de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Walton die Dominica in crastino Purificacionis Beate Marie anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) terciodecimo.

181. Grant by Richard son of the late Richard Brounye of Walton to John son of John Reeve of Walton, his heirs and assigns, of 1 rood in Walton in the Middle field, between the land of William of Riseley and of John le Warde, abutting at one end on the croft of William le Wodereve and at the other on the land of Roger atte Well; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.

*1 August 1316*

Item Ricardus quondam filius (*sic*) Ricardi Brounye de Walton dedit etc. Johanni filio Johannis prepositi de Walton, heredibus et assignatis suis, unam rodam terre in campo de Walton quod (*sic*) uocatur Middelfeld, inter terram Willelmi de Ryselee ex una parte et terram Johannis le Warde ex altera, et

abuttat uno capite super croftum Willelmi le Wodereue et alio super terram Rogeri ad fontem; tenendam de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Walton die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Jacobi anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) decimo.

182. Grant by Lettice widow of John atte Green of Walton in free widowhood to John son of the reeve of Walton, his heirs and assigns, of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Paston and Walton between the land of the rector of Paston and the land of Master Hugh le Caveler, abutting at one end on the land of Thomas Underwood of Dogsthorpe and at the other on the land of John Osbern of Werrington; to be held of the chief lord for the service due (see no. 175).

20 August 1318

Item Leticia quondam uxor Johannis atte Grene de Walton dedit etc. in libera uiduitate sua Johanni filio prepositi de eadem uilla, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Paston et Walton inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston ex una parte et terram magistri Hugonis le Caueler ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Thome de Underwode de Dodesthorp, et alio capite super terram Johannis Osbern de [f. 25<sup>v</sup>] Wytherington; tenendam de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Walton die Dominica proxima post festum Assumpcionis Beate Marie anno regni regis Ed(wardi) filii regis Ed(wardi) duodecimo.

183. Grant by John of Walton to Cecily his daughter of 5 acres and 1 rood in Walton, 1 acre abutting on the high road by the land of William son of Gilbert,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre—a headland—in *Ouer' Blakmilde* next the land of Walter Froue,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre abutting on the abbot's land, lying between Richard Brounye's land and William son of Gilbert's,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lying next the land of Walter son of Robert,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre between Geoffrey Forester's land and the land of the son of Simon Lefsi,<sup>1</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre next the land of Thurstan of Thorpe,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Maurforlong* next the land of William Blakeman and the land of Richard Brounye, 1 acre on *Westcroft* between his own land and William son of Gilbert's, 1 rood lying next the croft of Richard Tailor,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Gorle* next the land of William son of Gilbert; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 3d. (cf. no. 171).

Early or mid 13th century

Item Johannes de Walton dedit etc. Cecilie filie sue quinque acras terre et unam rodam in campis de Walton, scilicet unam acram capitantem super magnum chiminum iuxta terram Willelmi filii Gilberti, et unam dimidiam acram scilicet foreram in *Ouer' Blakmilde* iuxta terram Walteri Froue, et unam dimidiam acram capitantem super terram domini abbatis iacentem inter terram Ricardi Brunye et terram Willelmi filii Gilberti, et terciam partem unius acre que iacet iuxta terram Walteri filii Roberti, et terciam partem alterius acre iacentem inter terram Galfridi forestarii et terram filii Simonis Lefsi, et unam dimidiam acram iacentem iuxta terram Thurstani de Thorp, et unam dimidiam acram in *Maurforlong* iuxta terram Willelmi Blakman et terram Ricardi Bruneye, et unam acram in *Westcroft* inter terram suam et terram Willelmi filii Gilberti, et unam rodam que iacet iuxta croftum Ricardi cissoris, et unam dimidiam acram in *Gorle* iuxta terram Willelmi filii Gilberti; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis iijd. ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290, and before no. 171, q.v. A Thurstan of Thorpe occurs before 1222 (P, p. 55 n.).

184. Grant by William son of William of Walton to John son of (Reginald) of Walton and Lettice his wife of 1 acre and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood of arable, and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres of meadow, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods of arable lie in Walton in the furlong called *Brokforlong* next the land of William of Amwell, abutting at one end on *Aldecroftsike*, 3 roods at *Wildishau* next the land of

<sup>1</sup> Or, Simon son of Lefsi (Simonis filii Lefsi).

Thorold Benet, abutting at one end on the almoner's land, and  $\frac{3}{8}$  acre of meadow in the meadow of *Westinge* between the meadow of Sir Roger de la Hyde and the meadow of Michael in the Hyrne of Peakirk, and 1 acre of meadow in the same meadow in *Stocforlong*, between the meadow of Laurence of Preston and the meadow of Ralph Pary; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* c. 1274-90

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Johanni filio (Reginaldi)<sup>a</sup> de Walton et Le(ti)cie uxori sue unam acram et dimidiam rodam terre, et unam acram et duas partes unius acre prati, quarum una roda et dimidia terre iacet in campis de Walton in cultura que uocatur Brokforlong iuxta terram Willelmi de Amewell, et abutt' uno capite super Aldecroftsike; et triroda que iacet apud Wildishaue iuxta terram Torald' Beneyt et abuttat uno capite super terram elemosinarii Burgi; et due partes unius acre prati iacentes in prato de Westinge inter pratum domini Rogeri de la Hyde et pratum [f. 26] Michaelis in angulo de Psychirche; et una acra prati que iacet in eodem prato in uno loco qui uocatur Stocforlong, inter pratum Laurencii de Preston et pratum Radulphi Pary; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

185. Grant by Robert Harold of Werrington to John son of Reginald late Reeve of Walton of 1 acre and 1½ roods in Walton, between the abbot's land and Richard of Helpston's, in a furlong called *Aldecroft*, abutting at one end on *Aldecroftsike* and at the other on the land of Henry atte Lanesend; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* Before 1290

Item Robertus Harald de Wytherington dedit etc. Johanni filio Reginaldi quondam prepositi de Walton unam acram et unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Walton, inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex una parte et terram Ricardi de Helpiston ex altera, in una cultura que uocatur Aldecroft, et abuttant uno capite super Aldecroftsike et altero super terram Henrici atte Laneshende; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum denarium ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

186. Grant by William son of William of Walton to John son of Reginald Reeve of Walton of 1½ acres and ½ rood in Walton, consisting of ½ acre on the Hill, abutting at one end on the abbot's furlong called *Tante*, and 1½ roods in the tofts, abutting at one end on *Ouewell*, ½ rood on *Brandredis* next the land of William son of William of Werrington, abutting on the road called *Lundgate*, 1 rood in *Gorle* next the land of Simon atte Pol, 1½ roods in the same field next the land of Gilbert Blakeman; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to John son of William his brother of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. Before 1284

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi de Walton dedit etc. Johanni filio Reginaldi prepositi de Walton unam acram et dimidiam et dimidiam rodam terre in campis de Walton, uidelicet unam dimidiam acram super Hil, et abuttat uno capite super culturam domini abbatis que uocatur Tante; et unam rodam et dimidiam in toftis, abuttantes in uno capite super Ouewell; unam dimidiam rodam super Brandredis iuxta terram Willelmi filii Willelmi de Wytherington, et abuttat super uiam que uocatur Lundgate; unam rodam in Gorle iuxta terram Simonis atte Pol; unam rodam et dimidiam in eadem cultura iuxta terram Gilberti Blakeman; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo Johanni filio Willelmi fratri suo unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

Date. Cf. no. 131.

187. Grant by Ralph Wysman of Werrington to Thomas son of Ralph son of Simon of Walton of ½ acre in Werrington lying on *Brokforlong*, between the land of Geoffrey Lewes

<sup>a</sup> Rogeri MS.



and the land of Simon Alred, abutting at one end on the land of Richard son of Osbern; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Before 1290*

Item Radulphus Wysman de Wytherington dedit etc. Thome filio Radulphi filii Simonis de Walton unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington iacentem super Brokforlong, inter terram Galfridi Leuwe et terram<sup>a</sup> [f. 26<sup>v</sup>] Simonis Alred, et abuttat uno capite super terram Ricardi filii Osberni (et terram<sup>e</sup>); tenendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo sibi uel heredibus tres quadrantes ad duos anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For Simon Alred, see below nos. 212, 221; and for Richard son of Osbern, nos. 188, 190, 192; and for Geoffrey Lewes, nos. (?) 240 (1299), 260, 266.

188. Grant by Henry Puttok to Richard son of Osbern of Werrington of 3 roods in Paston, between the land of Geoffrey Halman of Werrington and the land of Robert Beyhilde, abutting at one end on the land of Richard of Deene and at the other on the land of Hugh Carpenter, and 1 rood lying in the same field between the land of the rector of Paston and the land of Hugh Reeve of Werrington, abutting at one end on the rector's land; to be held of himself and his heirs for a rent to Sir Geoffrey Russel and his heirs of  $6\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok dedit etc. Ricardo filio Osberni de Wytherington unam trirodam terre iacentem in campis de Paston, inter terram Galfridi Halman de Wytherington et terram Roberti Beyhilde, et abuttat in uno capite super terram Ricardi de Den et alio super terram Hugonis le Carpenter; et unam rodam que iacet in eodem campo inter terram rectoris de Paston et terram Hugonis prepositi de Wytherington, et abuttat in uno capite super terram dicti rectoris; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo domino Galfrido Russel et heredibus suis sex denarios et obolum ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 188-90, 192 are grants by Henry Puttok, all but 189 being to Richard son of Osbern; all are before 1290, and may be dated tentatively to the second half of the century (for the donor cf. no. 126); the name of Geoffrey Russel (cf. no. 20, &c.) confirms this dating for no. 188.

189. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to Ralph Berd of Walton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton on *Hayforlong*, between his own land and John Loue's, abutting at one end on the land of Hugh Carpenter and at the other on land once held by Hugh atte Pol; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ ., doubled for relief.

*Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Radulpho Berd de Walton unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Walton iacentem super le Hayforlong, inter terram suam ex una parte et terram Johannis Loue ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Hugonis carpentarii et alio super terram quondam Hugonis a la Pol; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data.

190. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to Richard son of Osbern of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton in *Hayforlong* between his own land and John Beychild's, abutting at one end on the land of Ralph Reeve and at the other on the land of Adelin of Walton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ ., doubled for relief.

*Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Osberti de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Walton in Hayforlong inter terram dicti Henrici ex una parte et terram Johannis Beychild ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super terram Radulphi prepositi et alio super terram Adelin de Walton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale pro omni seruicio, et duplicando [f. 27] seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> et terram repeated on f. 26<sup>v</sup>.

191. Grant by Gilbert Blakeman and Cecily his wife to Richard Brounye of Walton, son of Richard Brounye, of 1 rood at *Pertre*, between the land of Stephen Piteman and of Richard of Paston, abutting at one end on the croft then held by Henry Mantild' and at the other on the land of Ralph atte Well; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Gilbertus Blakeman et Cecilia uxor sua dederunt etc. Ricardo Brounye de Walton filio Ricardi Brounye unam rodam terre iacentem apud *Pertre*, inter terram Stephani Piteman ex una parte et terram Ricardi de Paston ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super croftum tunc Henrici Mantild' et alio super terram Radulphi ad fontem; tenendam de illis, de heredibus suis, reddendo illi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For Blakeman see above, no. 123; for Piteman, no. 42, &c.; for Henry Mantild', no. 170; for Ralph atte Well, no. 168. All these suggest a date in the second half of the century, but not too late; Richard son of Richard Brounye, on the other hand, occurred in 1316 (no. 181)—unless there were three Richard Brounyes in succession.

192. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to Richard son of Osbern Smith of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton, between the land once held by William Thorold of Walton and the land then held by Henry le Hirde (? Shepherd), abutting at one end on the land then held by Henry le Hirde; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Osberti fabri de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Walton, inter terram quondam Willelmi Torald de Walton et terram tunc Henrici le Hirde, et abuttat uno capite super terram tunc Henrici dicti le Hirde; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium annuale duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. [*f. 27<sup>v</sup> blank.*]

*Date.* See above, no. 188 n.; and for William Thorold, no. 129.

#### [IV] [*f. 28*] CARTE NATIVORUM DE WYTHERINGTON

##### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF WERRINGTON)

193. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to John Kyng and Agnes his wife of 3 roods in Paston, between the land of Alice of Scotter and of Alice daughter of Robert of Stanton, abutting at one end on *Grenhers* and at the other on *Bradegate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Johanni Kyng et Agneti uxori sue unam trirodam terre iacentem in campis de Paston inter terram Alicie de Scotere et terram Alicie filie Roberti de Stanton, et abuttat uno capite super *Grenhers* et alio super *Bradegate*; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio redditus duplicabitur. Cum warentia, sine data. (Nunc Walteri Dalby (?).<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Henry Puttok (see no. 126) occurs frequently in charters of the second half of the 13th century, almost all datable before 1290, and one dated 1281 (no. 159). For Alice of Scotter, cf. nos. 12, 18 (1302-3); but also 523-4 (1250-63), &c. There may well have been more than one of the name.

194. Grant without warranty by Robert son of Robert Peverel of Paston to Richard Griffin of Werrington, his heirs and assigns, of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, between the land of William son of Solomon and of Robert Harold; to be held of himself and his heirs, rendering to William son of Thomas le Giuur the service due. *Probably mid 13th century*

Item Robertus filius Roberti Peuerel de Paston dedit etc. Ricardo Gryffyn de Wytherington, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis de Wytherington inter terram Willelmi filii Salomonis et terram Roberti Haroud; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, faciendo Willelmo filio Thome le Giuur seruicium debitum. Sine warentia et sine data. (Idem Ricardus tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the Solomon family, see above, p. lxii. Three of the names mentioned here occur in the Surveys: William Solomon, Richard Griffin, and Robert Peverel, although the last two may be the sons of the Griffin and Peverel of the Surveys (cf. p. lxii and no. 195). This would date the charter roughly to the middle of the century, or even a little earlier; and an early date might help to explain the absence of a warranty clause.

195. Grant by William son of Thomas le Giuur of Werrington to Richard son of Richard Griffin of Werrington of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, between the land of William Solomon and of Robert Harold, abutting at one end on the abbot's holding, i.e. *Hungerheuedlond*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . (cf. no. 194).

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Willelmus filius Thome le Giuur de Wytherington dedit etc. Ricardo filio Ricardi Griffin de Wytherington unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis de Wytherington, inter terram Willelmi Salman ex una parte et terram Roberti Haroud ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super tenementum domini abbatis de Burgo, scilicet super Hungerheuedlond; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum in die Natalis Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Evidently this is a confirmation of no. 194 by the man of whom Robert Peverel had previously held the land; presumably the two charters were granted about the same time.

196. Grant by Henry son of Robert Puttok of Walton to Richard son of Richard Griffin of Werrington of 1 acre, of which 3 roods lie in Paston between the land of the rector of Paston and the land of Alice of Scotter; and 1 rood in Werrington by the land of Richard in the Hyrne,<sup>1</sup> abutting at one end on land once William Co's and at the other on Walton brook; to be held of himself and his heirs, the (annual rent) to be doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Henricus filius Roberti Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Ricardi Gryffyn de Wytherington unam acram terre, unde una triroda iacet in campis de Paston inter terram rectoris de Paston et terram Alicie de Scotere; et una roda in campis de Wytherington iuxta terram Ricardi in angulo, et abuttat uno capite super terram quondam Willelmi Co et alio super Walton brok; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 196-201 continue the endowment of Richard Griffin (cf. no. 194); for Henry Puttok, cf. no. 193; for William Co, no. 250.

197. Grant by Henry son of Robert Puttok of Walton to Richard Griffin of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Walton, with the abbot's furlong on either side, abutting at one end on the land of Richard Brounye of Walton and at the other on *Aldecroft* brook; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Before 1290*

Item Henricus filius Roberti Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Ricardo [f. 28<sup>v</sup>] Gryffyn de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Walton iacentem in cultura domini abbatis de Burgo ex utraque parte, et unum capud

<sup>1</sup> Hyrne is the OE and ME word for 'angle, corner' in fields, &c. (cf. *P.N. Northants.*, pp. 239, 265; *P.N. Elements*, i. 276). Comparison of nos. 212 and 240 helps to confirm the equation 'in angulo' = 'in Hyrne'. An alternative rendering of 'in angulo' here and elsewhere would be 'Corner' (cf. P. H. Reaney, *Dict. of British Surnames*, London, 1958, s.vv. Corner, Hern).

abuttat super terram Ricardi Brunye de Walton et alterum super Aldecroft-brok; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi (et) heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 28: Idem tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

198. Grant by Solomon son of William son of Solomon (see above, p. lxii) to Richard son of Richard Griffin of Werrington of 3 roods in Gunthorpe on Hamfield, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods abut on *Hambac* and lie with the land of Richard son of William son of Richard on either side; and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods by the land of the same Richard son of William, abutting at one end on *Garswade* and at the other on the land of Robert Peverel of Paston; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Salamon filius Willelmi filii Salamonis de Wytherington dedit etc. Ricardo filio Ricardi Griffin de Wytherington unam trirodam terre iacentem in campis de Gunethorp, scilicet super Ham, unde una roda et dimidia capitat super Hambac et iacet inter terras Ricardi filii Willelmi filii Ricardi; et una roda et dimidia iuxta terram predicti Ricardi filii Willelmi, et capitat super Garswade et alio super terram Roberti Peuerel de Paston; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuo annuale seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Idem tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

199. Grant by Geoffrey son of Robert of Warmington<sup>1</sup> to Richard Griffin of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the West field of Werrington between the land of the abbot and his own land, abutting at one end on *Hungerheuidlond* and at the other on the land of Simon atte Cross of Werrington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Galfridus filius Roberti de Wermi(n)gton dedit etc. Ricardo Gryffin de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in Westfeld de Wytherington inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo et terram suam, et unum capud abuttat super Hungerheuidlond et alterum super terram Simonis ad Cros de Wytherington; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis, et pro releuo seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Idem tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

200. Grant by Alice widow of Ralph atte Well of Werrington in (free) widowhood to Richard Griffin of Werrington of 3 roods in the Middle field of Werrington on *Oldorwong*, with the abbot's land on either side, abutting at one end on land once held by Richard Co of Werrington; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Alicia quondam uxor (Ricardi<sup>e</sup>) Radulfi Welle de Wytherington in uiduitate dedit etc. Ricardo Griffin de Wytherington unam trirodam in campis de Wytherington in Middelfeld super Oldorwong, inter terras domini abbatis de Burgo ex utraque parte; unum capud abuttat super terram quondam Ricardi Co de Wytherington; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum denarium in festo Sancti Bartholomei apostoli, et pro releuo seruicium duplicabitur. [*f. 29*] Cum warentia et sine data. (*Idem tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

201. Grant by Richard son of Reginald in the Lane of Werrington to Richard son of Richard Griffin of the same of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington in *Lenges*, between the land of Simon atte Cross and of Thomas son of Roger, abutting at one end on the land of William son of William and at the other on the land of Walter son of Geoffrey; the service due to be rendered to the sacrist. *Probably before 1290*

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 207.

Item Ricardus filius Reginaldi in le Lane de Wytherington dedit etc. Ricardo filio Ricardi Griffin de eadem uilla unam<sup>a</sup> dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Wytherington scilicet in Lenges, inter terram Simonis ad le Cros ex una parte et terram Thome filii Rogeri ex altera, et abuttat unum capud super terram Willelmi filii Willelmi et alterum super terram Walteri filii Galfridi; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim Deo et sacriste ecclesie Beati Petri de Burgo debitum seruicium. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem tenet. Reddit redditum sacriste. W. Dalby tenet unam medietatem et Reginaldus Osbern aliam medietatem.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. 194, &c. This charter probably had a subinfeudation clause, but the point cannot be proved.

202. Grant by Simon atte Cross of Werrington and Robert his son to Roger son of Geoffrey Holiman of Werrington and his heirs of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Hestcroft* between the land of Ralph Reeve of Glinton and of William Bote of Werrington, abutting at one end on Woodcroft<sup>1</sup> brook and at the other on the land of John Griffin; and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods at *Thorpsforlong* between the land of Hereward of Werrington and of Ralph Wysman, abutting at one end on the land of John Reeve of Werrington and at the other on the land of Reginald Red of Werrington; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $1d.$ , doubled for relief. *Shortly before 1290*

Item Simon ad Crucem de Wytherington et Robertus filius suus dederunt etc. Rogero filio Galfridi Holyman de Wytherington et heredibus suis tres rodas et dimidiam rodam terre in campis de Wytherington, unde dimidia acra iacet in *Hestcroft* inter terram Radulphi prepositi de Glinton et terram Willelmi Bote de Wytherington, et abuttat uno capite super Wodecroft brok et aliud super terram Johannis Griffin; et una roda et dimidia iacet apud le Thorpsforlong inter terram Herwardi de Wytherington et terram Radulphi Wysman, et abuttat uno capite super terram Johannis prepositi de Wytherington et aliud super terram Reginaldi Red de Wytherington; tenendas de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim illis et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Simon atte Cross occurs frequently in the late 13th century, last in 1299 (no. 240, but it is not certain if he was alive then); his son occurs in 1283 and 1299 (nos. 224, 240). Nos. 202-5 cannot be many years earlier than 1290. For the rest of Simon's children, see nos. 219 ff. Holiman may be the same name as Halman (nos. 188, 246).

203. Grant by Simon atte Cross of Werrington and Robert his son to Roger le Holiman of the same of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods on the Hamfield, between the land of Nicholas atte Pit and of Reginald of Glinton, abutting at one end on the land of Ascelin Palmer of Paston; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Shortly before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem et Simon pater suus de Wytherington dederunt etc. Rogero le Holyman de eadem unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem super le Ham, inter terram Nicholai atte Pith et terram Reginaldi de Glinton, et abuttat uno capite super terram Ascelini Palmer de Paston; tenendam de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo illis et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini [*f. 29<sup>v</sup>*] pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 29: J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>*)

*Date.* Cf. no. 202. Ascelin Palmer occurs in 1269 and 1299 (see no. 161); a Nicholas atte Pit in 1320 (Werrington Court Roll).

<sup>a</sup> unam unam MS.

<sup>1</sup> The name Woodcroft survives in Woodcroft Castle in Etton (*P.N. Northants.*, p. 234).

204. Grant by Simon atte Cross of Werrington and Simon (probably for Robert) his son to Roger Holiman and his heirs of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington by *Suthtoun*, between the land of Agnes Harold and of Agnes Benet, abutting at one end on the land of the rector of Paston and at the other on the royal road; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Shortly before 1290*

Item Simon<sup>a</sup> ad crucem de Wytherington et Simon pater suus dederunt etc. Rogero Holiman et heredibus suis unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington bi Suthtoun, inter terram Agnetis Harald et terram Agnetis Benett, et abuttat uno capite super terram rectoris de Paston et alio super uiam regiam; tenendam de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim illis et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

205. Grant by Robert son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Roger son of Geoffrey Holiman of the same and his heirs of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington in *Ouernab*, between the land of William atte Churchgate and of Simon atte Cross, abutting at one end on the headland of Walter Meriuil and at the other on the headland of John Loue; to be held of himself and his heirs<sup>1</sup> for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Shortly before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dederunt<sup>b</sup> etc. Rogero filio Galfridi Holyman de eadem et heredibus suis unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis de Wytherington in Ouernab, inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrkegate et terram Simonis ad crucem, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Walteri Meriuil et alio super foreram Johannis Loue; tenendam de ill' et de heredibus suis, reddendo ill' et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. no. 202; and for John Loue, no. 150 (he occurs in 1317). A Walter Meriuil occurs in 1320 (Werrington Court Roll).

206. Grant by Solomon of Werrington to Roger son of Geoffrey Holiman of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre with meadow attached at its head towards Walton, lying in Werrington, between the land of William son of Richard and of Alice daughter of Adam; to be held of Solomon. his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  *Before 1290*

Item Salamon de Wytherington dedit etc. Rogero filio Galfridi Holiman de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre cum prato adiacente ad capud predictae dimidie acre uersus Walton iacentem in campis de Wytherington, inter terram Willelmi filii Ricardi et terram Alicie filie Adam; tenendam de Salomone et de heredibus uel assignatis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The donor is presumably the same as in no. 198; for the recipient see nos. 202-5.

207. Grant by William of Crowland of Helpston to Ralph Griffin of Werrington of 1 rood in Werrington in *Bacfeld*, between the land of Richard of Helpston and of Reginald Red, abutting at one end on *Bradegate* and at the other on (the land) of Geoffrey of Warrington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ ; doubled for relief. *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Willelmus de Croplonde<sup>c</sup> manens in Helpston dedit etc. Radulpho Griffin de Witherington unam rodam terre [f. 30] in campo de Wytherington

<sup>a</sup> sic, perhaps for Robertus filius Simonis.

<sup>b</sup> sic MS. Perhaps as in nos. 202-3 Simon was joint-donor with his son; but the scribe may have copied dederunt in error, following 202-4.

<sup>c</sup> sic, probably for Croylonde (see no. 209).

<sup>1</sup> The reading 'ill' suggests that no. 205, like nos. 202-4, really had two donors; but see n. b.

iacentem in Bacfeld inter terram Ricardi de Helpiston et terram Reginaldi Red, et abuttat uno capite super Bradegate et alio super (terram) Galfridi de Wermi(n)gton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium annuale dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Onf.* 29<sup>v</sup>: J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 207-12 are the archives of Emma daughter of Ralph Griffin. In nos. 207-9 her father (who occurs in the Surveys) collects three holdings, which he passes on to her in no. 210; all of these are pre-1290. In nos. 211-12 she receives two more grants, both after 1290. 211-12 are presumably not long after, 210 not long before 1290; and these dates are confirmed by other names mentioned in the charters (Reginald Red, 210, occurs in nos. 156, 207, Hugh Benet, 212, in no. 221, Roger Co, 212, in no. 219, Simon Alred, 212, in nos. 187, 221). Nos. 207-9 must be earlier than 210—nos. 208-9, at least, probably distinctly earlier, since in each case the name of one of the neighbours has altered: Robert Harold (cf. nos. 194-5, 243, &c.) to Ralph Harold, and Richard of Helpston to William Mareis. Richard of Helpston and Geoffrey of Warmington occurred in 1283 (Nassaborough Hundred Court Roll).

208. Grant by William son of Gilbert of Helpston to Ralph Griffin of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington on *Houfurlong*, between the land of Robert Harold and of Walter Purs, abutting on the 3 roods of Richard in the Hyrne in *Wrengelondis* at one end and on *Redewelisgate* at the other; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$ , doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Willelmus filius Gilberti de Helpiston dedit etc. Radulpho Griffin de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington super Houfurlong, inter terram Roberti Harold ex una parte et terram Walteri Purs ex altera, et abuttat super trirodam Ricardi in angulo in Wrengelondis<sup>a</sup> et aliud super Redewelisgate; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum obolum ad Natale pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium annuale dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

209. Grant by William of Crowland of Helpston to Ralph Griffin of Werrington of 3 roods in Werrington on the Middle field, between the land of Reginald in the Lane of Werrington and the land of Ralph atte Churchgate of the same, abutting at one end on the abbot's land in *Lenges* and at the other on *Houforlong*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$ , doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Willelmus de Croyland in Helpiston dedit etc. Radulpho Griffin de Wytherington unam trirodam terre in campis de Wytherington super Middelfeld, inter terram Reginaldi in uenella de Wytherington et terram Radulphi ad portam ecclesie de eadem, et abuttat super terram abbatis in *Lenges* et aliud super Houforlong (Thorpforlong<sup>i</sup>); tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini, et pro releuio seruicium annuale dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

210. Grant by Ralph Griffin of Werrington to Emma his daughter of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Werrington, of which 3 roods lie . . . (as no. 209);  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre . . . (as no. 208, but for Robert Harold read Ralph Harold); and 1 rood . . . (as no. 207, but for Richard of Helpston read William Mareis); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1\frac{1}{4}d.$  to the chief lords, doubled for relief.

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Radulphus Griffin de Wytherington dedit etc. Emme filie sue unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington, scilicet una triroda iacet super Middelfeld inter terram Reginaldi in uenella et terram Radulphi ad portam ecclesie de eadem, [*f.* 30<sup>v</sup>] et abuttat super terram domini abbatis in *Lenges* et aliud super Houforlong; et una dimidia acra iacet super Houforlong inter terram<sup>b</sup> Radulphi Harold et terram Walteri Purs, et unum capud abuttat

<sup>a</sup> Or *Wrengelondis* (cf. no. 210).

<sup>b</sup> inter terram inter terram MS.

super trirodam Ricardi in angulo in Wrongelond et aliud super Redewellisgate; et una roda iacet super Bacfeld inter terram Willelmi Mareys et terram Reginaldi Red, et unum capud abuttat super Bradegate et aliud super terram Galfridi de Wermi(n)gton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo capitalibus dominis feodi tres obolos ad Natale pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium annuale duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 30: J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>*)

211. Grant by Richard Adam of Werrington to Emma Griffin daughter of Ralph Griffin and her heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre in Marholm between the land of the rector of Marholm and of the almoner, abutting on the royal road which runs from Walton to Woodcroft at one end and on *Lyttellund* at the other; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d.

*Shortly after 1290*

Item Ricardus Adam in Wytherington dedit etc. Emme Griffin filie Radulphi Griffin et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Marham inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Marham et terram elemosinarii de Burgo, et abuttat super regiam uiam que ducit de Walton usque Wodecroft et aliud capud super *Lyttellund*; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino unum obolum ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste uel infra octabas pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>*)

212. Grant by Hugh Benet of Werrington to Emma daughter of Ralph Griffin and her heirs of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie above *Suthton* in Werrington between the land of Roger Co and of Henry in the Hyrne, abutting at one end on the headland of Simon Alred and at the other on the land of the rector of Paston; and 1 rood lies on *Grescroftfurlong* between the land of Richard Kyng and of the rector of Paston, abutting at one end on *Grescroftdich* and at the other on the land of John atte *Hegg*<sup>1</sup>; to be held of the chief lords of the fee for the service due, doubled for relief.

*Shortly after 1290*

Item Hugo Beneyth de Wytherington dedit etc. Emme filie Radulphi Griffin (de<sup>o</sup>) et heredibus suis duas rodas et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington, quarum una roda et dimidia iacent aboue *Suthton* de Wytherington inter terram Rogeri Ko et terram Henrici in le Hyrne, et abuttant uno capite super foreram Simonis Alred et alio super terram rectoris de Paston; et una roda iacet super *Grescroftfurlong* inter terram Ricardi Kyng et terram rectoris de Paston, et abuttat uno capite super *Grescroftdich* et alio super terram Johannis atte *Hegg*<sup>1</sup>; tenendas de capitalibus dominis feodi, reddendo capitalibus dominis seruicia debita, et duplicabitur [*f. 31*] seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>*)

213. Grant by William son of Solomon of Werrington to William son of Thorold of Werrington of 2 roods and 1 butt, of which 1 rood lies in the West field between the land of Lewis the Leper and of William son of Richard, abutting on *Hungerheidlond*; 1 rood in the same field between the land of Geoffrey Pope and of Richard in the Hyrne, abutting on *Newedyck*; and 1 butt by the land of William son of Richard, abutting on Marholm dyke at one end and on the land of Roger Pope at the other; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d., doubled for relief.

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Willelmus filius Salamonis de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo filio Torald de Wytherington duas rodas et unam buttam terre, quarum una roda iacet in Westfeld inter terram Lews le Leper et terram Willelmi filii Ricardi, et capitat super *Hungerheidlond*; et alia roda in eodem campo inter terram Galfridi Pope et terram Ricardi in Hyrne, et abuttat super *Newedyck*; et predicta butta iacet iuxta terram Willelmi filii Ricardi, et capitat super Marhomdik et alio super terram Rogeri Pope; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis,

<sup>1</sup> He died c. 1321, when his successor had entry to his land (Werrington Court Roll).



reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Aylflet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The donor (see p. lxii) and Geoffrey Pope occur in the Surveys; also the recipient, if he is the same as William son of Thorold of Walton (cf. nos. 129, 231). William son of Richard is presumably the father of the man who occurs in no. 198.

214. Grant by Henry Puttok of Walton to Robert Loue of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre of meadow in *Grenhers*, of which 1 rood lies between the meadow of Alice of Scotter and of John Taylor, and 1 rood between the meadow of William of Neville and of John Beyhild; to be held of himself and his heirs. *Before 1290*

Item Henricus Puttok de Walton dedit etc. Roberto Luue de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram prati scilicet in Grenhers, unde una roda iacet inter pratum Alicie de Scoter' et pratum Johannis le Taylour, et una roda inter pratum Willelmi de Neuile et pratum Johannis Beyhild; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Nesciunt; quere ulterius.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. nos. 142, 193. For William Neville, cf. nos. 107, 157; he suggests a date not long before 1290. A Robert Loue occurs in the Surveys; but his son apparently bore the same name (see no. 223), and the recipient of this charter is more probably the younger Robert.

215. Grant by Geoffrey son of Robert of Warmington to William son of Thorold of Werrington of 3 roods in the Middle field of Werrington, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie on *Holdwong* between the land of Richard of Helpston and of the abbot, abutting at one end on the abbot's furlong;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods on the south side of *Howe* between the land of the rector of Paston and of Richard the son of William of Werrington, abutting at one end on the land of Simon Lef; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Mid 13th century*

Item Galfridus filius Roberti de Wermi(n)gton dedit etc. Willelmo filio Torald de Wytherington tres rodas in Middelfeld de Wytherington, unde una roda et dimidia iacent super Holdwong inter terram Ricardi de Helpston et terram domini abbatis, et capitant uno capite super culturam domini abbatis; et una roda et dimidia ex parte australi del Howe inter terram rectoris de Paston et terram Ricardi filii Willelmi de Wytherington, et abuttat uno capite super terram Simonis Lef; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Aylflet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For William son of Thorold, see no. 213, &c.; for Richard of Helpston, nos. 207 &c.; for Richard son of William, nos. 198, 213, &c. Robert of Warmington, presumably the donor's father, occurs in the Surveys (and cf. no. 199). For Simon Lef, see nos. 171, 183. This charter is presumably later than no. 213, in which Richard son of William's father occurs.

216. Grant by — son of Ivo, with the consent of his wife, to William son of Bond of Glington of  $1\frac{1}{4}$  acres in Werrington on *Flaxlond*, between the land of the abbot and of William Gitun and Alger Punchun, abutting on the abbot's headland at one end and at the other on the headland of Lewyna of Glington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1\frac{1}{4}d.$

Item filius Iuonis consensu uxoris sue dedit etc. Willelmo [*f. 31<sup>v</sup>*] filio Bondi de Glington unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington, scilicet super Flaxlond, inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo et terram Willelmi Gitun et Alger Punchun, et abuttat super foreram domini abbatis uno capite et alio capite super foreram Lewyne de Glington; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis tres obolos in die Palmarum pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Westerne.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Before 1290. There appears to be no evidence of date apart from the subinfeudation clause.

217. Grant by Gilbert Punche (or Punchun) of Werrington with the consent of Robert Peverel to William son of Geoffrey Kyng of Glinton of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, between the land of Geoffrey son of Hugh and William's own land; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  to the Hospital of St. Leonard and its leper brothers.

*Mid 13th century*

Item Gilbertus Punche de Wytherington consensu Roberti Peuerel dedit Willelmo filio Galfridi Kyng de Glinton unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington, inter terram Galfridi filii Hugonis et terram predicti Willelmi; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim hospitali Sancti Leonardi et fratribus leprosis unum obolum in crastino apostolorum Petri et Pauli. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Kyng.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Robert Peverel (see no. 194), Geoffrey son of Hugh, and William Kyng occur in the Surveys; for the latter see also nos. 303-4. For Gilbert Punchun, see nos. 235, 259.

218. Grant by Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Reginald atte Pit of the same and Basilia his wife and their heirs of 1 rood of arable and meadow in Werrington, between the arable and meadow of Richard le Noble and of Reginald Carpenter, abutting at one end on Walton brook and at the other on the headland of Custa Christion (*sic*); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$

*Before 1290*

Item Simon ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Reginaldo atte Pyth de eadem et Basille uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam rodam terre et prati iacentem in campis de Wytherington, inter terram et pratum Ricardi le Noble et terram et pratum Reginaldi Carpenter, et abuttat uno capite super Walton brok et alio super foreram Custe Christion; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum quadrantem ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For Simon atte Cross, see no. 202; for Reginald atte Pit no. 238 (1295).

219. Grant by Robert son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Roger his brother of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington on *Thornforlong*, between the land of Roger Co and of Alice daughter of Christiana; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Rogero fratri suo unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington super Thornforlong, inter terram Rogeri Ko et terram Alicie filie Christiane; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde per annum sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For the donor of 219-20, 222, 224 see no. 202; for Roger Co, no. 212.

220. Grant by Robert son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Agnes his sister of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington on *Torforlong* between the land of Robert atte Hegge and of Henry atte Pit; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$

*Shortly before 1290*

[f. 32] Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Agneti sorori sue unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington super Torforlong inter terram Roberti ad Hegge et terram Henrici ad Pith; tenendam de (me\*) se et de heredibus (meis\*) suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini. Cum warentia et sine data.

221. Grant by John son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Roger Holiman and his heirs of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington by *Suthron* between the land of Reginald Griffin and of Hugh Benet, abutting at one end on the headland of Simon Alred and at the other on the land of Emma in the Lane; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Johannes filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Rogero Holiman et heredibus suis unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis de Wytherington bi Suthton inter terram Reginaldi Griffyn et terram Hugonis Beneyth, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Simonis Alred et alio super terram Emme in le Lane; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See no. 202; the donor was evidently a younger brother of Robert atte Cross (see no. 222). Hugh Benet and Simon Alred occur after 1290 in no. 212; Simon Alred also before 1290 in no. 187. John atte Cross and Reginald Griffin link 221 and 222 (a Reginald Griffin occurs in 1321, Werrington Court Roll).

222. Grant by Robert son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to John his brother and his heirs of 1 acre in Werrington, of which 3 roods lie on *Lengis* between his own land and that of William son of Thomas, and 1 rood at *Kyrkegatis* (Churchgates) between his own land and Reginald Griffin's; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Johanni fratri suo et heredibus suis unam acram terre in campis de Wytherington, unde tres rode iacent super *Lengis* inter terram suam et terram Willelmi filii Thome, et una roda iacet atte *Kyrkegatis* inter terram suam et terram Reginaldi Griffyn; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum (obolum<sup>a</sup>) denarium ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

223. Grant by Solomon son of William of Werrington to Robert son of Robert Loue of Werrington of 3 roods in Werrington on the West field, of which 1 rood called *Breche* lies next the land of Thorold Gitun;  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood next the land of Richard Neil, abutting on the land of John Kyng; 1 rood in *Nab* with the abbot's land on either side, abutting on his own land; and 1 rood on *Wafurlonges* between the land of William Brounye and of Richard Neil; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Salamon filius Willelmi de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Roberti Luue de Wytherington tres rodas<sup>a</sup> terre in campis de Wytherington super Westfel (*sic*), unde una roda que appellatur Breche iuxta terram Torald Gytun; et una dimidia roda iuxta terram Ricardi Neel, et abuttat super terram Johannis Kyng; et una roda in *Nab* inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex utraque parte, et abuttat super terram suam; et una roda super *Wafurlonges* inter terram Willelmi Brunye et terram Ricardi Nel; tenendas de se et de<sup>b</sup> [*f. 32<sup>v</sup>*] heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Aylflet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The donor and recipient are presumably sons of William son of Solomon (see p. lxii) and Robert Loue who occur in the Surveys, and a Richard Neil occurs after (no. 88) as well as before 1290. This would suggest a date in the second half of the century; but if Thorold Gitun, who occurs in the Surveys, was alive when this charter was drawn up, it is unlikely to be long after the middle of the century.

224. Grant by Robert son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to Matilda his sister of 3 roods in Werrington in the West field, by the royal road from Walton to Glinton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

*9 June 1283*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Matilde sorori sue unam trirodam terre in campis de Wytherington in Westfeld, iuxta regiam uiam que ducit de Walt(on) uersus Glynton; tenendam dictam

<sup>a</sup> The details which follow add up to 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods: either et dimidiam is missing here, or one of the parcels described as roda should be dimidia roda. <sup>b</sup> et de repeated on f. 32<sup>v</sup>.

triroadam terre de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis tres quadrantes ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia (et sine data<sup>o</sup>), data apud Wytherington die Mercurii in septimana Pentecostes anno regni regis Edwardi undecimo.

*Date.* Cf. no. 202. The subinfeudation clause proves that this belongs to the reign of Edward I.

225. Grant by Roger Thorold of Walton to Ralph Griffin of Werrington of 1 rood in Werrington in *Flaxlondes*, between the land of Agnes atte *Brygate* of Werrington and the land of Alice daughter of Robert Kyng of Glington, abutting on the headland of Reginald Leman of Glington at one end and on the headland of William Ochold at the other; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Rogerus Torald de Walton dedit etc. Radulpho Griffin de Wytherington una(m) rodam terre in campis de Wytherington iacentem in Flaxlondes, inter terram Agnetis atte Brygate de Wytherington et terram Alicie filie Roberti Kyng de Glynton, et capitat super foreram Reginaldi Leman de Glynton et alio super foreram Willelmi Ochold; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Benet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For Ralph Griffin, recipient of nos. 225-7, cf. no. 207; two Roger Thorolds, father and son (cf. nos. 20, 130, 131 n., &c.), spanned the second half of the century—the younger one died c. 1290; Reginald Leman is referred to after 1290, in no. 309, but was not certainly alive at that time.

226. Grant by Roger Thorold of Werrington to Ralph Griffin of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington in *Longesymolonde*, with the land of Richard of Helpston on either side, abutting at one end on Marholm gate; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Rogerus Torald de Wytherington dedit etc. Radulpho Griffin de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington iacentem in Longesymolonde, inter terram Ricardi de Helpston ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite super Marham gate; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio, et duplicando annuale seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (J. Pampe.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* As no. 225; for Richard of Helpston see no. 207. Roger Thorold of Walton and Roger Thorold of Werrington were presumably the same man. The former certainly held land in Werrington (nos. 225, 242); and cf. Simon Gere of Dogsthorpe and Garton, above, no. 18 n.

227. Grant by William son of Gilbert of Helpston to Ralph Griffin of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington on West field, between the land of Walter Siward and of William atte Townsend,<sup>1</sup> abutting on *Rede Wellesgate* at one end and *Wrangelondis* at the other; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Willelmus filius Gilberti de Helpiston dedit etc. Radulpho Griffin de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington iacentem super Westfeld inter terram Walteri Syward et terram Willelmi ad finem uille, et capitat super Rēde (*sic*)<sup>a</sup> Wellesgate et alio super Wrangelondis; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale [f. 33] Domini pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio

<sup>a</sup> or r'e de.

<sup>1</sup> See no. 231.

seruicium annuale dupplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 32<sup>v</sup>: Idem Johannes.*<sup>1)</sup>)

*Date.* See no. 208 (the properties in these two charters were perhaps adjacent).

228. Grant by Robert son of Simon atte Cross of Werrington to John son of Ralph Griffin of the same of 1 rood in Werrington in *Nab*, between the land of Walter son of Sarah of *Graswade* and of Alice Christian, abutting on the land of Walter Miriuld; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . *Shortly before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington dedit etc. Johanni filio Radulphi Griffin de eadem unam rodam terre in campo de Wytherington iacentem in *Nab*, inter terram Walteri filii Sarre de *Graswade* et terram Alicie Christian, et abuttat super terram Walteri Miriuld; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum quadrantem ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Johannes Pampe.*<sup>1)</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. nos. 202, 207 for the parties; and for Alice Christian, no. 219.

229. Grant by William atte *Hege* of Werrington to Ralph Wysman of the same of 1 acre lying in Marholm in *Utfeld*, between the land of Walter on the Hill of Marholm and of William Talbot; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d. *Before 1290*

Item Willelmus ad le Hege de Wytherington dedit etc. Radulpho Wysman de eadem unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Marham, uidelicet in *Utfeld*, inter terram Walteri super Hil de Marham et terram Willelmi Talbot; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Johanna Wysman.*<sup>1)</sup>)

*Date.* Ralph Wysman is mentioned in no. 202 (shortly before 1290).

230. Grant by William Lefchild of Werrington to Matilda his daughter, her heirs and assigns, of 3 roods in Marholm, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Flor'* between the land of Henry son of Geoffrey atte Bridge and of Richard Rymild, abutting on the headland of Robert Hellebole; 1 rood lies in *Helywyrt* by the land of the same William, abutting on Reginald Waterville's land; to be held of the chief lord for the service due, doubled for relief.

*2 October 1295*

Item Willelmus Lefchild de Wytherington dedit etc. Matilde filie sue, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam trirodam terre in campis de Marham, unde dimidia acra iacet in *Flor'*, inter terram Henrici filii Galfridi ad pontem et terram Ricardi Rymild, et abuttat super foreram Roberti Hellebole; et una roda iacet in *Helywyrt* iuxta terram predicti Willelmi, et abuttat super terram Reginaldi Wateruyle; tenendam de capitali domino feodi, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino seruicium debitum, et pro releuio firma unius anni dupplicabitur. Cum warentia, data apud Wytherington die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo tercio. (*Thomas Shakelok.*<sup>1)</sup>)

*Date.* The alternative, 1349, seems impossibly late. Reginald Waterville died in 1287 (P, p. 45 n.; see above, p. xviii n.).

231. Grant by William son of John of Walton to William son of Thorold atte Townsend of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood lying adjacent in Walton, between the land of Reginald son of Roger and of William son of Adelin, abutting at one end on *Suzmedwe* and at the other on the land then held by Ralph atte Well of Walton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ , doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Willelmus filius Johannis de Walton dedit etc. Willelmo filio Torald ad exitum uille de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram et dimidiam rodam

terre coniunctim iacentes in campis de Walton, inter terram Reginaldi filii Rogeri et terram Willelmi filii Adelini, et unum capud abuttat super Suzmedwe et alio super terram Radulphi ad fontem [*f. 33<sup>v</sup>*] de Walton tunc temporis; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium annuale duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 33: Willelmus Aylflet.*<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Before 1290. Ralph atte Well occurs in nos. 168, 191; his widow in 200. The recipient is presumably the William atte Townsend of no. 227; if he is also identical with the William son of Thorold of nos. 213, &c., the charter may date from the middle of the century.

232. Grant by Alice widow of William Belle of Werrington to Robert Loue of Werrington of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Walton in *Aldecroft* by the land of Richard Neil, abutting at one end on the land of Geoffrey Meruuld and at the other on the land of Henry Puttok; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Before 1290*

Item Alicia relicta Willelmi Belle de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto Luue de Wytherington unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Walton in Aldecroft iuxta terram Ricardi Nel, et abuttat uno capite super terram Galfridi Miryuild et altero super terram Henrici Puttok; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Bartholomei apostoli pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Loue.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For Robert Loue and Richard Neil, see no. 223, &c.; for Henry Puttok, nos. 126, 193, &c.; Geoffrey Meruuld is also mentioned in no. 236.

233. Grant by Solomon son of William of Werrington to Robert son of William Griffin of the same and Margaret his wife of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in *Westing* by *Saxepol*, between his own meadow and the meadow of William Mollé of the *Holm*, abutting at one end on the meadow of the lord of Helpston and at the other end on Maxey dyke; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ ., doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Salamon filius Willelmi de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Willelmi Griffin de eadem et Margarete uxori sue unam dimidiam acram prati in Westing iuxta Saxepol, inter pratum suum et pratum Willelmi Mollé de le Holm, et abuttat super pratum domini de Helpiston et altero super Make-shey dyk'; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio redditus duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data (Johannes Benet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For Solomon, see above, p. lxii.

234. Grant by Ralph Munioie of Marholm to Reginald son of Walter of Werrington of 1 acre of meadow in *Westing*, of which 3 roods lie at *Eyton ingong* between the meadow of Thorold Gas' and of Thorold Yeubonde; and 1 rood by the meadow of Robert Bell; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of 1d. of 'free geld'.<sup>1</sup>

*Early 13th century*

Item Radulphus Munioie de Marham dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri de Wytherington unam acram prati in Westing, unde triroda iacent (*sic*) apud

<sup>1</sup> *Wara* was clearly by this date simply a rent; but the name probably implies that it had originated as a tax or geld (for a discussion of this kind of development, see D. C. Douglas, *Social Structure of Medieval East Anglia*, Oxford, 1927, pp. 102 ff.). *Libera* presumably signifies that the tenure was free (for *wara* cf. nos. 265, 270; for *libera wara*, nos. 291, 293-4, 328, 345; the same phrase, as Mr. R. E. Latham has pointed out to us, occurs in Lincs. in *Cal. Charter Rolls*, iv. 21). A definition of its meaning on Peterborough estates—perhaps rather fanciful—is given in F2, ff. 97, 112', 151 (quoted in Ducange, *Glossarium*, s.v. *wara*): 'Libera wara est unus redditus et est talis condicionis quod si non soluatur suo tempore duplicabitur (duplicatur, f. 112') in crastino et sic in dies.'

Eyton ingong inter pratum Torald Gas' et pratum Torald Yeubonde; et una roda prati iuxta pratum Roberti Bell; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis annuatim unum denarium de libera wara ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Ricard.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Ralph Munioie of Marholm occurs in the time of Abbot Alexander (1222-6; Swa, f. cxlvij<sup>v</sup>; cf. also f. ccxlvijj).

235. Grant by Gilbert Punchun to Ralph Carpenter of 2 acres in Werrington, of which 1 rood lies by the land of Geoffrey Pope, abutting on the road to Stamford; 1 rood at *Watfurlong* by the land of William son of Ralph, abutting on the road to *Houdelawell*; 1 rood in *Nabfurlong* by the land of Richard son of Odo, abutting on the headland of William son of Solomon; 1½ roods by the land of William son of Solomon, abutting on *Houegate*; ¼ acre on *Holdewong* by the land of William son of Solomon, abutting on the headland of Richard Alfred; 1 rood in *Stortes imlond* by the land of William son of Adam, abutting on the land of Ralph Bell; and ½ rood in *Brechies* by the land of Reginald in the Lane, abutting on the headland of William son of Richard; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d*. *Mid 13th century*

Item Gilbertus Punchun dedit etc. Radulpho Carpentario duas acras<sup>a</sup> terre arabilis in campis de Wytherington, quarum una roda iacet iuxta terram Galfridi Pape et abuttat super uiam qua itur apud Staunforde; et una roda in Watfurlong iuxta terram Willelmi filii Radulphi et abuttat super uiam qua itur apud Houdelawell; et una roda in Nabfurlong iuxta terram [f. 34] Ricardi filii Odonis et abuttat super foreram Willelmi filii Salamonis; et una roda et dimidia roda iuxta terram Willelmi filii Salamonis et abuttat super Houegate; et dimidia acra super Holdewong iuxta terram Willelmi filii Salamonis et abuttat super forarium Ricardi Alfred; et una roda in Stortes imlond iuxta terram Willelmi filii Ade et abuttat super terram Radulphi Bell; et dimidia roda in Brechies iuxta terram Reginaldi in uico et abuttat super forarium Willelmi filii Ricardi; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data. (*On f. 33<sup>v</sup>: Johannes Belle, bercarius.*<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Ralph Carpenter, Geoffrey Pope, Richard son of Odo, William son of Solomon, and Ralph Bell all occur in the Surveys. For Gilbert Punchun, cf. nos. 217.

236. Grant by Thorold son of Thomas le Giuur of Werrington to William son of Thorold of Werrington of 1½ roods in the West field of Werrington between the land of the rector of Paston and of Geoffrey atte Church, abutting at one end on the headland of Geoffrey Meriuil; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of ¾*d*.

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Thoraldus filius Thome le Giuur de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo filio Toraldi de Wytherington unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in Westfeld de Wytherington inter terram rectoris de Paston et terram Galfridi ad le Chirche, et abuttat uno capite super forarium Galfridi Miriuil; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus Griffyn.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the recipient, see no. 213; the grantor was presumably brother to the grantor of no. 195.

237. Grant by Simon atte Cross of Werrington and Robert his son to Roger Loue and Walter his son, and their heirs, of 2½ roods in Walton, of which 1½ roods lie between the land of the rector of Paston and of William Athelin of Walton, abutting at one end on the headland of Agnes Underwood in *Asforlong*;<sup>1</sup> and 1 rood lies on the lane from Paston to Walton,

<sup>a</sup> The parcels add up to 6½ roods (i.e. are 1½ roods short).

<sup>1</sup> 'and at the other on *Aysfurlong*' in no. 175.

between the land of Geoffrey of Gunthorpe and of Andrew Russel, abutting at one end on the headland of Henry Puttok and at the other on the land of the rector of Paston; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{3}{4}d$ .  
*Before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Simonis ad crucem de Wytherington et Simon pater suus dederunt Waltero filio Rogeri Loue et Rogero Loue patri suo et heredibus eorum duas rodas et dimidiam terre arabilis in campis de Walton, unde una roda et dimidia iacet inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston et terram Willelmi Athelin de Walton, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Agnetis Underwode in Asforlong; et una roda iacet in semita per quam itur de Paston apud Walton inter terram Galfridi de Gunthorp et terram Andree Russel, et abuttat uno capite super foreram Henrici Puttok et alio super terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston; tenendas de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo illis et heredibus suis tres quadrantes ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. [*f. 34<sup>v</sup>*] Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 34: Johannes Reuesone.*<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Simon and Robert atte Cross occur both before and after 1290; Walter Loue occurs in the 1290's (cf. nos. 238, 240, &c.) and granted the first part of this land away c. 1300 in a charter in which two of the three neighbours referred to are as here (no. 175: William Athelin, who occurs shortly before 1290 in no. 135 and rather earlier in 142, has been replaced by Hugh le Caveler). For Agnes Underwood, see no. 20. Andrew Russel died in 1291 (P, pp. 109-10, n.; cf. no. 89).

238. Grant by Richard le Leif of Werrington to Reginald atte Pit of Werrington and Basilia his wife, and their heirs, of 1 acre in Werrington in the Middle field, between the land of Robert Pyk and of Walter Loue, abutting at one end on *Thorpgate* and the other on the land of John atte Cross of Werrington; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $2d$ .  
*9 December 1295*

Item Ricardus le Leif de Wytherington dedit etc. Reginaldo ad le Pith de Wytherington et Basilie uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Wytherington in Middelfeld, inter terram Roberti Pyk et terram Walteri Loue, et abuttat uno capite super Thorpgate et alio super terram Johannis ad crucem de Wytherington; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo capitali domino seruicium debitum, scilicet duos denarios ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, data apud Wytherington die Ueneris proxima post festum Concepcionis Beate Uirginis anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo quarto. (Robertus Clyue.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The alternative date, 1350, is too late for the collection, and also for Reginald atte Pit (see no. 218), and Walter Loue (no. 237).

239. Grant by Reginald in the Lane of Werrington to William son of Thorold of Werrington of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie on Hamfield at *Stonwadeforlong* by the land of the rector of Paston; and 1 rood between the same rector's land and the land of Reginald in the Lane,<sup>1</sup> abutting at one end on the *Storth* and at the other on the land of Ralph Siward; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{3}{4}d$ .—plus  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . for forinsec service to the king—to be doubled for relief.  
*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Reginaldus in le Lane de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo filio Toraldi de Wytherington duas rodas et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington, quarum una roda et dimidia iacet super Ham apud Stonwadeforlong iuxta terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston; et una roda inter terram predicti rectoris et terram predicti Reginaldi in le Lane, et unum capud super le Storth et alterum super terram Radulphi Siward; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum (obolum<sup>e</sup>) quadrantem ad festum Omnium Sanctorum et unum obolum in eodem pro forinseco seruicio domini regis et pro omni seruicio, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Belle, bercarius.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the grantor, cf. no. 209, for the recipient no. 213, &c.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. Reginald 'de semita' in no. 251, clearly identical with Reginald 'in le Lane' in no. 250.



240. Grant by Geoffrey Lewes<sup>1</sup> of Deeping to William Russel of Werrington and Matilda his wife, and their heirs, of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood in Werrington, of which ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) acre lies on the *Dykforlong* between the land of Simon atte Cross and of Richard Oky, abutting at one end on the land of John Puttok and at the other on the land of Hugh Brounye;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies by *Southtoun* between the land of William Gobioun of Gunthorpe and of Robert atte Cross, extending below the meadow of Walton brook to the south, abutting on the land of Emma Osbern to the north;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie in the same field between the land of Henry in the Hyme and of Matilda Red (?), abutting at one end on the meadow of *Garswade* and at the other on the land of Reginald Honne; 1 rood lies in the same field between the land of Matilda Red and of Walter Loue, abutting at one end on the abbot's holding called *Stonwong*; to be held of the chief lords for an annual rent of 1d. for the two  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods.

25 October 1299

Item Galfridus Leuwe de Depyngg dedit etc. Willelmo Russel de Wytherington et Matilde uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam acram et dimidiam et dimidiam rodam terre iacentes in campis de Wytherington, quarum una (dimidia) acra<sup>a</sup> iacet super le Dykforlong inter terram Simonis ad crucem et terram Ricardi Oky, et abuttat uno capite super terram Johannis [f. 35] Puttok et alio capite super terram Hugonis Brunye; et una dimidia acra iacet by Southtoun inter terram Willelmi Gobioun de Gunthorp et terram Roberti ad crucem et extendit se infra pratum de Walton brok uersus austrum, et abuttat alio capite super terram Emme Osebern uersus aquilonem; et una roda et dimidia iacet in eodem campo inter terram Henrici in angulo (et terram Matilde Red)<sup>b</sup> et abuttat uno capite super pratum de Garswade et alio capite super terram Reginaldi Honne; et una roda iacet in eodem campo inter terram Matilde Red et terram Walteri Loue, et abuttat uno capite super tenementum domini abbatis de Burgo quod uocatur Stonwong; tenendas de capitalibus dominis feod(orum), reddendo annuatim capitalibus dominis pro duabus dimidiis acris unum denarium ad Natale Domini et pro una roda et dimidia unum obolum ad festum Sancti Bartholomei pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, data apud Wytherington die Dominica proxima ante festum apostolorum Simonis et Jude anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo septimo. (Ricardus Griffyn.<sup>i</sup>)

*Date.* The alternative date, 1353, would be too late for the collection, and also for Simon and Robert atte Cross, Walter Loue (cf. nos. 237-8), and William Russel (cf. no. 241); but a Walter Loue and a Hugh Brounye occur in the Werrington Court Roll of 1320 (and William son of Hugh Brounye in 1321) and a John Puttock did homage in 1322 (VI, f. 79).

241. Grant by Reginald son of Stephen of Werrington to William Russel of the same and Matilda his wife of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, lying in a furlong called *Bacfeld*, between the land of Reginald Holiman and of William Benet, abutting at one end on the headland of John Puttok and at the other on the land of Simon Christian; to be held by (William) and Matilda and then by whichever lives longer, and by their heirs and assigns, from the chief lord, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

10 January 1304/5

Item Reginaldus filius Stephani de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo Russel de eadem et Matilde uxori sue unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington iacentem in una cultura que uocatur *Bacfeld* inter terram Reginaldi Holiman et terram Willelmi Beneyt, et abuttat in uno capite super foreram Johannis Puttok et alio super terram Simonis Cristien; tenendam predictis Steph(ano) (*sic*) et Matilde uxori sue et uite (*sic*) unius eorum qui diucius uixerit, heredibus et assignatis suis, de capitali domino feodi, reddendo capitali domino unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis.

<sup>a</sup> The parcels add up to 2 a. and  $\frac{1}{2}$  r.; either we should amend the total (e.g. by raising it to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  a. and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  r.), or correct una acra to una dimidia acra. The latter is neater, and is confirmed by the reddendo clause. <sup>b</sup> These words are underlined, apparently for cancellation; but the sense seems to demand them.

<sup>i</sup> Cf. no. 260 for spellings of this name.

Cum warentia, data die Dominica proxima post festum Epiphanie Domini anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis Henrici trisesimo tercio. (Robertus o ye Grene.<sup>1</sup>)

242. Grant by Roger Thorold of Walton with the assent of Matilda his wife to Robert son of Hugh Smith of Werrington of 1½ acres in Werrington, lying on *Lengis*, between the land of Richard of Helpston and of Hugh son of Lefsi of Werrington, abutting at one end on *Bradgate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*l.*, doubled for relief.  
c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Rogerus Torald de Walton dedit etc. assensu [*f.* 35<sup>v</sup>] Matilde uxoris sue, dedit etc. (*sic*) Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de Wytherington unam acram et dimidiam terre in campo de Wytherington iacentem super *Lengis* inter terram Ricardi de Helpston et terram Hugonis filii Lefsi de Wytherington, unde unum capud abuttat super *Bradgate*; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis *ijd.* ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 242-4, 246, 250, 252, 254-6 represent the acquisitions of Robert son of Hugh Smith; no. 245 of Walter son of Hugh Smith, presumably his brother (if his name is not a scribal error); no. 257 of Hugh Smith, presumably their father; and nos. 247-9 and 251 of Hugh son of Reginald of Werrington, possibly—since the land ultimately came into the hands of the same tenants, and since 249 and 257 may refer to the same land—to be identified with Hugh Smith. All these documents can be dated before 1290, since all except 243, 245, and 251 certainly had subinfeudation clauses, and all these three refer to men who apparently also figure in the Surveys (243: Richard son of Walter; 245: Richard Folesank and his son; 251: William Punchun (under Paston) and Robert Peverel—but cf. no. 194; no. 243 must be earlier than or contemporary with no. 255). These links suggest, though they do not prove, an early or mid thirteenth-century date for Hugh son of Reginald, and this is confirmed by the donor of 247-9, Ingenolf Folesank (see no. 247); cf. notes to nos. 247, 251. The charters of Robert and Walter, sons of Hugh, contain several names belonging to the middle or the second half of the century (e.g. Roger Thorold, cf. no. 129, &c.; Robert Peverel, 162, 194, &c.; Richard of Helpston and Geoffrey of Warmington, 207); and one or two more definitely mid thirteenth century. William son of Solomon and Richard son of Walter in no. 243—if they were still alive—and William son of Thorold, also in no. 243, may possibly be identified with the men of the same names in the Surveys; and for Robert Harold, who occurs in nos. 243, 246, 252, 254-6, see no. 194. Richard Neil (no. 246), however, occurs c. 1290-1300 in no. 88 (cf. 223). On these grounds we date Robert's charters approximately to the third quarter of the century—though any date up to 1290 is possible—and the charters to Hugh Smith and Hugh son of Reginald approximately to the second quarter of the century.

243. Grant by William son of Thorold son of Lefsi of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of the same of 1 acre at *Bacfeld* in Werrington, of which ½ acre lies at *Mikelmor* by the land of Richard son of Walter, and ½ acre at *Cleilondishende* between the land of William son of Solomon and of William son of Richard son of Odo; for an annual rent of 1*l.* to Robert Harold and his heirs (cf. no. 255).  
c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Willelmus filius Toraldi filii Lefsi de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de eadem unam acram terre (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) iacentem apud (*Mikelmor*<sup>e</sup>) *Bacfeld* in campis de Wytherington, uidelicet una dimidia acra (Thomas Garswade<sup>1</sup>) iacet apud *Mikelmor* iuxta terram Ricardi filii Walteri, et una<sup>a</sup> dimidia acra (Thomas Garswade<sup>1</sup>) iacet apud *Cleilondishende* inter terram Willelmi filii Salamonis et terram Willelmi filii Ricardi filii Odonis; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim Roberto Harold et heredibus suis unum denarium in festo Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Garswade tenet dimidiam acram, alteram dedit J. Garswade per cartam. Preceptum est seisire.<sup>1</sup>)

244. Grant by Robert Peverel of Paston to Robert son of Hugh Smith of Werrington of 1 acre in Werrington, lying by *Suthon* between the land of Richard in the Hyrne of

<sup>a</sup> unam MS.

Werrington and of Ralph son of Pampe, abutting at one end on the high road from *Fezehegges* to Peterborough; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief.  
c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Robertus Peuerel de Paston dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de Wytherington unam acram terre in campo de Wytherington iacentem by Suthton inter terram Ricardi in angulo de Wytherington et terram Radulphi filii Pampe unde unum capud abuttat super magnum chiminum quod ducit de Fezehegges ad Burgum Sancti Petri; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium annuale pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (T. Garswade tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

245. Grant by Gilbert<sup>1</sup> son and heir of Richard Folesank to Walter son of Hugh Smith of Werrington of 2 acres on Hamfield, i.e. those which Richard his father sold to Hugh Smith, Walter's father; for an annual rent of 1 root of ginger.

c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Gilbertus filius et heres Ricardi Folesank concessit etc. Waltero filio Hugonis fabri de Wytherington duas [f. 36] acras terre super Ham, scilicet illas quas Ricardus pater suus uendit Hugoni fabro patri predicti Walteri; habendas etc., reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum radicem zinsebri ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (On f. 35<sup>v</sup>: Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

246. Grant by Robert Harold of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of the same of 1 acre and 1 rood, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies on Hamfield between the land of Sir Geoffrey Russel and of Robert Peuerel of Paston, abutting on *Hambac*; 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods on the Middle field lying in *Waterforlonges* between the land of Richard Neil and of William Alred, abutting on the road; 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods in *Westfeld* on the Hill between the land of Agnes in the Lane and of Geoffrey Halleman (Halman), abutting on the headland of Richard Meriuil; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief.

c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Robertus Harold de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de eadem unam acram et unam rodam terre, scilicet unam dimidiam acram iacentem super Ham inter terram domini Galfridi Russel et terram Roberti Peuerel de Paston, et capitat super *Hambac*; et unam rodam et dimidiam super *Middelfeld* iacentem in *Waterforlonges* inter terram Ricardi Nel et terram Willelmi Alred, et abuttat super chiminum; et unam rodam et dimidiam in *Westfeld* super le Hyl inter terram Agnetis in uenella et terram Galfridi Halleman, et capitat super foreram Ricardi Myriuyl; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis annuatim unum denarium ad Pascha pro omni seruicio, et duplicando seruicium annuale pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

247. Grant by Ingenolf Folesank of Gunthorpe<sup>2</sup> to Hugh son of Reginald of Werrington of 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Gunthorpe, between the land of Roger Baker of Peterborough and of Agnes Puding,<sup>3</sup> abutting on the land of Lady Aumfrey of Paston at one end and at the other on

<sup>1</sup> Perhaps an error for Ingenolf (see no. 247); and the charter is perhaps somewhat earlier in date than indicated.

<sup>2</sup> From F, pp. 59-60 (a document of c. 1227-36 in which Richard and Ingenolf Folesank witness with the father of the donor of no. 257) and Pc, f. 86<sup>v</sup>, we can deduce the following pedigree:

Richard Folesank (occurs in the Surveys)

Ingenolf Folesank

John Folesank (occurs 1233-45)

These documents suggest that 'Gilbert' Folesank, son and heir of Richard (no. 245) is an error for Ingenolf. Ingenolf's *floruit* was evidently to the 1230's and 1240's, and his son John was old enough to issue a document before 1245. Another Richard occurs after 1250 in no. 548.

<sup>3</sup> She occurs in 1214-22 (N, ff. 176<sup>v</sup> ff.) and 1226-33 (no. 542).

Ingenolf Folesank's headland; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$ , and  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  for forinsec service to the king. *c. second quarter of 13th century*

Item Ingenolus Folesanke de Gunthorp dedit etc. Hugoni filio Reginaldi de Wytherington unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Gunthorp, inter terram Rogeri pistoris de Burgo et terram Agnetis Puding, et abuttat super terram domine Aunfrey de Paston et in alio capite super foreram Ingenolf Folesank; tenendam de se et de<sup>a</sup> heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis pro omni seruicio duos quadrantes, scilicet unum quadrantem ad Pascha et ad eundem terminum alium quadrantem pro forinseco seruicio domini regis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

248. Grant by Ingenolf Folesank of Gunthorpe to Hugh son of Reginald of Werrington of a headland in Gunthorpe, consisting of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods by the land of Robert Peverel of Paston; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$ , and  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  for forinsec service to the king. *c. second quarter of 13th century*

Item Ingenolphus Folesank de Gunthorp dedit etc. Hugoni filio Reginaldi de Wytherington unam foreram [*f. 36<sup>v</sup>*] terre in campis de Gunthorp, que iacet pro una roda et dimidia iuxta terram Roberti Peuerel de Paston; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis pro omni seruicio unum quadrantem ad Pascha et ad eundem terminum unum quadrantem pro forinseco seruicio domini regis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 36: Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>*)

*Date.* Presumably later than no. 247, if this is the headland there referred to as Ingenolf's.

249. Grant by Ingenolf Folesank of Gunthorpe to Hugh son of Reginald of Werrington of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington, abutting on *Grescroft* at one end and at the other on the road from Paston church to Werrington, lying between his own  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and the land of William Hirp; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1d.$ , of which  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  is for forinsec service to the king (*cf. no. 257*). *c. second quarter of 13th century*

Item Ingenulphus Folesanke de Gunthorp dedit etc. Hugoni filio Reginaldi de Wytherington unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington, que abuttat super *Grescroft* uno capite et alio super uiam qua itur de ecclesia de Paston uersus Wytherington, et iacet inter dimidiam acram suam et terram Willelmi Irp; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis pro omnibus seruiciis unum denarium ad Pascha, unde unus obolus dabitur pro forinseco seruicio domini regis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*T. Gerswade.<sup>1</sup>*)

250. Grant by Richard son of Reginald in the Lane of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of Werrington of 3 roods in Werrington on *Wrangelondes*, between the land of William Co and of William of Marholm, abutting on the abbot's furlong; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{3}{4}d.$ , doubled for relief. *c. third quarter of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Reginaldi in le lane de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de Wytherington unam trirodam terre in campis de Wytherington super *Wrangelondes* inter terram Willelmi Ko et Willelmi de Marham, et capitat super culturam domini abbatis de Burgo; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis tres quadrantes in die Sancti Eadmundi regis et martiris pro omnibus seruiciis et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data. (*T. Gerswade.<sup>1</sup>*)

<sup>a</sup> de de MS.

251. Grant by William Punchun<sup>1</sup> to Hugh son of Reginald of Werrington of 3 roods in Hamfield, between the land of Reginald in the Lane (cf. no. 237, n.) and of Robert Peverel; to be held by free service (i.e. rent) of 1*d.* to the hospital of St. Leonard, Peterborough, (to whom it has been granted) in free alms, for the souls of the donor's father and mother, predecessors and successors. *c. second quarter of 13th century*

Item Willelmus Punchun dedit etc. Hugoni filio Reginaldi de Wytherington tres rodas terre iacentem in Ham, inter terram Reginaldi de semita et terram Roberti Peuerel; tenendas per liberum seruicium unius denarii soluendi per annum hospitali Sancti Leonardi de Burgo in Natale Domini, pro animabus patris et matris sue et omnium antecessorum et successorum suorum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro omni seruicio terreno. Cum warentia, sine data. (Idem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

252. Grant by Robert Harold of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of Werrington of 1 acre and 1 rood in Werrington, on the West field, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies on *Hawforlong* between the land of Ralph Honne and of Roger Holiman, abutting on the high road; 3 roods in *Wrangelondes* between the land of Geoffrey of Warmington and of Agnes in the Lane, abutting on the same  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. *c. third quarter of 13th century*

Item Robertus Harald de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de Wytherington unam acram et unam rodam terre in campis de Wytherington super Westfeld, [f. 37] uidelicet unam dimidiam acram super *Hawforlong* iacentem inter terram Radulphi Hunne et terram Rogeri Holyman, et capitat super magnum chiminum; et unam trirodam in *Wrangelondes* iacentem inter terram Galfridi de Wermington et terram Agnetis in uenella et abuttat super dimidiam acram prenominatam; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium annuale pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (On f. 36<sup>v</sup>: J. Wodereue.<sup>1</sup>)

253. Grant in frank-marriage<sup>2</sup> by Richard Folesank of Gunthorpe to Amice his daughter and William of *Beche* her husband, and Amice's heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at Werrington between the land of the rector of Paston and of Osbert Smith, abutting on *Grescroft*; and a selion at *Hawestyle* lying between the land of Robert Peverel and of Robert 'unitus'; and 1 selion on *Holdfeld* between the land of John of Gunthorpe and of Hugh of Gunthorpe; for an annual rent of 1*½d.*, saving forinsec service. *Early 13th century*

Item Ricardus Folesanke de Gunthorp dedit etc. Amicie filie sue et Willelmo de Beche marito suo et heredibus de predicta Amicia genitis, in liberum maritagium, dimidiam acram terre apud Wytherington inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Paston et terram Oseberti fabri, et abuttat super *Grescroft*; et quemdam selionem apud *Hawestyle* que iacet inter terram Roberti Peuerel et terram Roberti uniti (*sic*); et unum selionem super *Holdfeld* inter terram Johannis de Gunthorp et terram Hugonis de Gunthorp; reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis pro omnibus seruiciis ad festum Sancti Michaelis tres obolos, saluo forinseco ad tantam terram pertinente. Cum warentia, sine data. (T. Gerswade.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The date is suggested by the grantor (see no. 247 n.) and not contradicted by the mention of Robert Peverel (cf. no. 194).

254. Grant by Robert Harold of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of the same of 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Werrington, lying in the Middle field between the land of Solomon of Werrington and Robert's own land; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ *d.*, doubled for relief. *c. third quarter of 13th century*

<sup>1</sup> Possibly the same as William Puncun of Paston, who occurs c. 1227-36 (F, pp. 59-60).

<sup>2</sup> i.e. as a marriage portion. A grant in frank marriage strictly meant a grant free of service (Pollock and Maitland, ii. 15 f.), like free alms or frankalmoin; perhaps in this context 'liberum' refers merely to the nature of the tenure (cf. 'libera wara', nos. 234, &c.).

Item Robertus Harold (dedit etc.<sup>c</sup>) de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de eadem unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campo de Wytherington iacentem in Middelfeld, inter terram Salamonis de Wytherington et terram dicti Roberti ex altera; habendam et tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium annuale pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

255. Grant by Robert Harold of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of the same of that acre in Werrington on *Bacfeld* which William son of Thorold son of Lefsi gave to Robert . . . (as in 243, but specifying that it is to be held of the grantor and that the rent is to be doubled for relief).  
c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Robertus Harald de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de eadem illam acram terre<sup>a</sup> in campis de Wytherington super Bacfeld quam Willelmus filius Toraldi filii Lefsi dedit etc. eidem Roberto, uidelicet [*f. 37<sup>v</sup>*] unam dimidiam acram apud Mikelmor iuxta terram Ricardi filii Walteri et unam dimidiam acram apud Cleylondeshende inter terram Willelmi filii Salamonis et terram Willelmi filii Ricardi filii Odonis; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando annuale seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 37: Uacat quia supra.*<sup>1</sup>)

256. Grant by Solomon of Werrington to Robert son of Hugh Smith of the same of 1½ roods in Werrington on the Middle field with the land of Robert Harold on either side, abutting to the north on Ralph Honne's headland and at the other end on the land of Agnes in the Lane; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of ¼d., doubled for relief.  
c. third quarter of 13th century

Item Salamon de Wytherington dedit etc. Roberto filio Hugonis fabri de eadem unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campo de Wytherington super Middelfeld inter terram Roberti Harald<sup>b</sup> ex utraque parte, unde unum capud uersus aquilonem abuttat super foreram Radulphi Hunne et aliud super terram Agnetis in uenella; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*T. Garswade tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

257. Grant by Thomas son of Henry Clerk of Paston to Hugh Smith of Werrington of that gift (?) which Ingenolf Folesank of Gunthorpe (cf. no. 247) gave Hugh, i.e. ½ acre in Werrington in *Sutheintona*, between the land of William Hirp and of Stephen atte Pit, abutting on the 'metalled' road between Werrington and Peterborough; to be held for the free service of 1d. per annum (cf. no. 249).  
Probably mid 13th century

Item Thomas filius Henrici clerici de Paston concessit etc. Hugoni fabro de Wytherington illud domum (*sic*)<sup>c</sup> quod Ingenulphus Folesanke de Gunthorp dedit eidem Hugoni, scilicet unam (dimidiam<sup>1</sup>) acram terre in campo de Wytherington in *Sutheintona* inter terram Willelmi Hirp et terram Stephani ad Pyth, et capitat super uiam ferratam inter Wytherington et Burgum;<sup>d</sup> habendum et tenendum per liberum seruicium unius denarii annuatim soluendi sibi et heredibus suis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Quere.*<sup>1</sup>)

258. Grant by Ingenolf Folesank of Gunthorpe to Sarah daughter of Richard Harold of Werrington of ½ acre in Werrington in the West field, abutting on the headland once held by Thorold son of Meriuld; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of ¼d., and ¼d. for forinsec service to the king.  
Probably mid 13th century

<sup>a</sup> MS. *adds quam*.

<sup>b</sup> Hanald MS.

<sup>c</sup> *probably for donum*.

<sup>d</sup> Burgo MS.

Item Ingenolphus Folesanke de Gunthorp dedit etc. Sarre filie Ricardi Haraud de Wytherington dimidiam acram terre in campis de Wytherington in Westfeld, que abuttit super foreram que fuit Toraldi filii Miriuild; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem in die Pasche pro omni seruicio, et [f. 38] eodem die unum quadrantem pro forinseco seruicio domini regis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 37<sup>v</sup>: Johannes Wodereue.*<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the date of nos. 258-9, see no. 242.

259. Grant by Richard Harold to Sarah his daughter of 2 acres in Werrington, of which 1 acre lies in *Sinilond* by the land of Gilbert Punchun;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the Middle field by land once William Wytun's;<sup>1</sup> 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods in *Bacfeld* by the public road; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood by the abbot's land towards *Gore*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d.

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Ricardus Haroud dedit etc. Sarre filie sue duas acras terre<sup>a</sup> in campis de Wytherington, uidelicet unam acram (Johannes Wodereue<sup>i</sup>) in *Sinilond* iuxta terram Gilberti Punchoun; et unam dimidiam acram (T. Garswade<sup>i</sup>) in *Middelfeld* iuxta terram que fuit Willelmi Wytun; et unam rodam et dimidiam (Johannes faber<sup>i</sup>) in *Bacfeld* iuxta publicam uiam; et unam dimidiam rodam (T. Garswade<sup>i</sup>) iuxta terram domini abbatis de Burgo uersus *Gore*; tenendas de (me<sup>o</sup>) se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. [*ff. 38<sup>v</sup>-39<sup>v</sup> blank.*]

#### [V] [f. 40] CARTE NATIVORUM DE GLINTONE

##### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF GLINTON)

260. Grant without warranty by Thomas Cok (? Cook) son of Richard Cok of Glinton to Walter son of Geoffrey Lewes<sup>2</sup> of Glinton of 2 roods in Glinton, of which 1 rood lies between the land of Hugh Reyner and of Philip Chamberlain, abutting on the headland of Elias of the Green and at the other end on the royal road to Northborough; and 1 rood lies between the land of Geoffrey son of Dawe and of Roger son of Rose; abutting on *Thirspit*, to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Thomas Koc filius Ricardi Koc de Glinton dedit etc. Waltero filio Galfridi Leuwe de Glinton duas rodas terre in teritorio de Glinton, uidelicet unam rodam que iacet ex una parte in longitudine inter terram Hugonis Reyner et terram Philippi camerarii ex altera, et abuttit se super capitalem terram Elie de la Grene, et extendit se ad regalem uiam que ducit uersus Northburgum; et aliam rodam que abuttit se in *Thirspit* et iacet inter terram Galfridi filii Dawe et terram Rogeri filii Rosie; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus uel assignatis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio. Sine warentia, sine data. (Johannes Wlwyn.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Thomas Cok (or Koc) was also grantor of nos. 261, 275-6; 261, 275-6 also have the same recipient, and 261 is confirmed in 276. 260-1 are pre-1290, 275-6 post 1290; but presumably the two groups are not far apart.

261. Grant by Thomas Cok of Glinton to Arnold le Leif of Werrington, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in the West field of Glinton, between the land of Michael Rowe and the land of Robert Carter, abutting at one end on the *Kyrke lond* (Church land) and at the other on *Marholm gate* (see no. 276); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d., doubled for relief.

*Shortly before 1290*

<sup>a</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  a. (or 2 r.) has fallen out of the list of parcels.

<sup>1</sup> Possibly the same as 'Gitun'—cf. no. 223.

<sup>2</sup> i.e. son of Lewin: cf. no. 266.

Item Thomas Koc de Glinton dedit etc. Ernaldo le Leif de (Glinton<sup>o</sup>) Wytherington, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in Westfeld de Glinton, inter terram Michaelis Rowe ex una parte et terram Roberti le carect' ex alia, et abuttat uno capite super le Kyrke lond et alio capite super Marhamgate; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuo firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Radulphus Walran.<sup>1</sup>)

262. Grant by Michael of Marholm of Glinton, carpenter, to Walter Lewes of Glinton, and his heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Woodcroft<sup>1</sup> between the land of John Marshal of Wansford on the north and his own land on the south, abutting at one end on the land of Andrew Russel of Milton and at the other, to the west, on the *Culuergate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. 1262-90

Item Michael (*sic*) de Marham in Glynton carpentarius dedit etc. Waltero Lewe de Glinton et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Wodecroft, inter terram Johannis marescalli de Walmesford ex parte boriali et terram suam ex parte australi, et abuttat uno capite super terram Andree Russel de Milton et alio uersus occidentem super le Culuer-gate; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios et obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Wolwyn.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Probably not long before 1290: cf. no. 260, which has the same recipient. Andrew Russel succeeded after 1263 and died in 1291 (P, p. 109 n.).

263. Grant by Lettice daughter of Geoffrey Huwesson (Hugh's son) of Glinton with the assent of John Freeman of Peakirk, to Walter Lewes of Glinton, and his heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton on the *Howe*, between the land of Richard in the *Hyrne*<sup>2</sup> of Glinton on the south and of Simon Gentil of Peakirk on the north, abutting at one end to the east on the *Brook*<sup>3</sup> and to the west on land once held by William Freeman of Peakirk; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., doubled for relief. Before 1290

[f. 40<sup>v</sup>] Item Leticia filia Galfridi Huwesson de Glynton dedit etc. assensu Johannis le Freman de Peichirche, Waltero Lewe de Glinton et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Glinton iacentem super le Howe, inter terram Ricardi in angulo de Glinton ex parte australi et terram Simonis Gentil de Peichirche ex parte aquilonari, et abuttat uno capite uersus orientem super le Brok et alio uersus occidentem super terram quondam Willelmi le Freman de Peichirche; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natiuitatem Sancte Marie Uirginis pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuo firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Wolwyn.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the recipient, see no. 260; for William Freeman, nos. 284, 292, &c.

264. Grant by Alice widow of Geoffrey Lewes of Glinton in free widowhood to Richard her son, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Etton, between the land of John Puchapun and of Richard of Stainsby, once rector of Peakirk, abutting at one end on the land of Hugh Suson and at the other on the meadow called *Westenge*; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. to the altar of St. Mary in the chapel of Glinton. Before 1290

Item Alicia quondam uxor Galfridi Lewes de Glinton in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Ricardo filio suo, et heredibus suis et assignatis, unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Etton, inter terram Johannis Puchapun et terram Ricardi de Stanesby quondam rectoris de Peichirche, et abuttat uno capite

<sup>1</sup> In Etton. The name is preserved in Woodcroft Castle (*P.N. Northants.*, p. 234).

<sup>2</sup> Cf. no. 196.

<sup>3</sup> Now Brook Drain, see *P.N. Northants.*, p. 236.



super terram Hugonis Suson et alio super pratum quod uocatur Westenge; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim altari Beate Marie in capella de Glington unum obolum infra Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* For John Puchapun, cf. no. 308. Nos. 264-6 form a group, evidently dealing with the same property, in the order 265, 266, 264.

265. Grant by Ralph son of Martin of Maxey to Hugh, chaplain of Easton,<sup>1</sup> of 1 acre in Etton, next the land of Richard of Stainsby, rector of Peakirk, abutting to the west on the headland of William son of Berengar and to the east on *Milnegate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of 1d. of geld.<sup>2</sup> *Probably mid 13th century*

Item Radulphus filius Martini de Makeseye dedit etc. Hugoni capellano de Eston unam acram terre in campo de Eyton iacentem iuxta terram Ricardi de Stanesby rectoris de Psychirche, et capitat super forarium Willelmi filii Bereng' uersus occidentem<sup>3</sup> et super Milnegate uersus orientem; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum denarium nomine ware infra Natale pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Well before 1290, since 265 is before 266, which in its turn must be well before 264; Richard of Stainsby is 'quondam' in no. 264. William son of Berengar might possibly be the same man as in nos. 21, 50. For the donor, cf. Pc, ff. 170<sup>v</sup>-171, 172, 174<sup>v</sup>-175.

266. Grant by Hugh of Easton, chaplain, to Geoffrey son of Lewin (= Lewes)<sup>4</sup> of Glington, in frank-marriage<sup>5</sup> with Alice his niece, of 1 acre in Etton abutting on *Milnegate*, which he held of Ralph son of Martin of Maxey (cf. no. 265); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d. *Probably mid 13th century*

[f. 41] Item Hugo de Eston capellanus dedit etc. Gaufrido filio Lewini de Glington cum Alicia nepot' (*sic*) sua unam acram terre in territorio de (Glington<sup>6</sup>) Etton capitantem super Milnegate, quam tenuit de Radulpho filio Martini de Makeseye, in liberum maritagium; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

267. Grant by Robert son of Ralph Freeman of Glington to Walter Lewes of the same and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in *Westhing*, with the meadow once held by Elicia wife of Simon son of the reeve<sup>7</sup> of Glington on either side, abutting to the south on the *Sytheaker*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Radulphi le Freman de Glington dedit etc. Waltero Lewe de eadem et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram prati iacentem in Westhing, inter pratum quondam (Alicie<sup>8</sup>) Elicie uxoris Simonis filii<sup>9</sup> prepositi de Glington ex utraque parte, et abuttat uno capite uersus austrum super le Sytheaker; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuo firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. 260, 277 (and above, p. xxix).

268. Grant by Adam son of Walter Man of Werrington to Richard son of William son of Richard Ode of the same of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington, which William son of Richard Ode gave to his mother; to be held of God and the altar of St. John the Baptist in Werrington by the free service of 1 candle worth  $\frac{1}{2}$ d., to be given annually. *Probably after 1290*

<sup>\*</sup> MS. *adds* super.

<sup>1</sup> There seems no way of deciding which Easton Hugh came from. Easton was probably his birthplace, since he appears as Hugh of Easton, chaplain, in no. 266.

<sup>2</sup> See note to no. 234.

<sup>3</sup> Cf. nos. 260, 264.

<sup>4</sup> See no. 253 n.

<sup>5</sup> Possibly son of Geoffrey Reeve (no. 323); and the word 'Galfredi' may have been omitted from the text.

Item Adam filius Walteri Man de Wytherington dedit etc. Ricardo filio (Ricardi<sup>c</sup>) Willelmi filii Ricardi Ode de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre in territorio de Wytherington, scilicet illam dimidiam acram quam dictus Willelmus filius Ricardi Ode dedit matri sue; tenendam de Deo et altare Sancti Johannis Baptiste de Wytherington per liberum seruicium unius candelae ad ualenciam unius oboli soluendi annuatim Deo et sancto altari predicto in Natiuitate Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The *tenendam* clause suggests a date later than 1290. Since the recipient also appears in documents earlier than 1290 (nos. 269, 271, cf. no. 287), it is unlikely to be much later.

269. Grant by Hugh Leym<sup>1</sup> of Marholm to Walter son of Richard Ode of Werrington of 1 acre in Marholm, next to Mucklands Wood<sup>2</sup> on the east under Marholm woods, abutting at one end on *Smalwode*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Hugo Leym de Marham dedit etc. Willelmo filio Ricardi Ode de Wytherington unam acram terre iacentem [*f. 41<sup>v</sup>*]<sup>a</sup> in campis de Marham, uidelicet proximam Muclund ex parte orientali sub siluis de Marham, et abuttat in uno capite super *Smalwode*; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium annuale pro releuo. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Cf. 268.

270. Grant by Thorold son of Ralph Carpenter of Werrington to Emma his daughter for her free use of 1 acre in the West field of Werrington, which he bought from William Solomon of the same, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the abbot's land and Gilbert Punchun's; and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  roods by the land of Hawise the widow, abutting on the royal road to Stamford; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood abutting on the headland of Richard son of Geoffrey; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of 1*d.* of geld. *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Toraldus filius Radulphi carpentarii de Wytherington dedit etc. Emme filie sue in legitima potestate sua unam acram terre iacentem in Westfeld de Wytherington quam emit de Willelmo Salamone de eadem, unde una dimidia acra iacet inter terram abbatis et terram Gilberti Punchun; et una roda et dimidia iuxta terram Hauicie uidue, que abuttat super uiam regiam apud Staunford; et dimidiam rodam que abuttat super forarium Ricardi filii Galfridi; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium de wara in die Pasche pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 268 and 270 seem to be strays from Werrington (see p. xii and n.). It is probably somewhat later than 235, since the grantor of 270 is probably son of the recipient of 235.

271. Grant by William son of William Lefchild of Werrington to William son of Ode of the same of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Marholm on *Heyning*, between the almoner's land on the west and the land of the rector of Marholm on the east, abutting at one end on the headland of John son of the reeve and at the other end on the headland of William Reeve; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi Lefchild de Wytherington dedit etc. Willelmo filio Ode de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Marham super *Heyning*, inter terram elemosinarii de Burgo ex parte occidentali et terram rectoris de Marham ex parte orientali, et unum capud abuttat super

<sup>a</sup> MS. *repeats* iacentem.

<sup>2</sup> Possibly Leyin = Lewin, &c.; cf. nos. 260, 266.

<sup>a</sup> See *P.N. Northants.*, p. 237.

foreram Johannis filii prepositi et aliud capud super foreram Willelmi prepositi; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For the recipient cf. nos. 268-9.

272. Grant by Roger son of Mary of Peakirk to William son of Geoffrey atte Townsend of Northborough of 3 roods of meadow in *Geroundel*, lying between the meadow of the fee of Marholm on the east and the meadow of Michael le Herice of Peakirk on the west, abutting to the south on the headland of Belsize<sup>1</sup> and to the north on the meadow which Michael Ernald holds from the abbot; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.

19 February 1295/6

[f. 42] Item Rogerus filius Marie de Peykyrke dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi ad capud uille de Northburgo unam trirodam prati in Geroundel, iacentem inter pratum de feodo de Marham ex parte orientali et pratum Michaelis le Heris de Peykyrk ex parte occidentali, et extendit se uno capite uersus austrum super foreram de Belassise et alio capite uersus aquilonem super pratum Michaelis Ernaldi quod tenet de abbate de Burgo; tenendam de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Norburgum die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Ualentini anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo quarto.

273. Grant by Simon of Winwick, clerk, to Arnold son of Simon of Werrington, his heirs and assigns, of 1½ roods in Werrington, lying in 1 selion in *Bacfeld* by the land of Stephen of Deeping on the east, abutting to the south on the headland of Geoffrey of Warmington and at the other end on the abbot's headland; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of ½d.

Mid or late 13th century

Item Simon de Wynwyck clericus dedit etc. Ernaldo filio Simonis de Wytherington, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Wytherington que iacet in una selione in *Bacfeld* iuxta terram Stephani de Depyng ex parte orientali, et abutatur uno capite super foreram Galfridi de Werrington uersus austrum et in alio capite super foreram domini abbatis de Burgo; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi uel heredibus uel assignatis suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290; and for Geoffrey of Warmington, cf. nos. 207, 210, 252, possibly also 199, 215. It is possible that Arnold son of Simon and Arnold le Leif (nos. 274-6) were the same.

274. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glington to Arnold le Leif of Werrington, and his heirs, of 3 roods in Glington on the Hill, between the land of Reginald Palmer of Glington on the north and of Ralph in the Hyrne on the south, abutting at one end on the headland of Alexander Kyng of Peakirk and at the other on the Brook; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of ½d.

After 1290

Item Robertus le Freman de Glington dedit etc. Arnaldo le Leif de Wytherington et heredibus suis unam trirodam terre iacentem in campis de Glington super Hyl, inter terram Reginaldi le Paumer de Glington ex parte aquilonari et terram Radulphi in angulo ex parte australi, et abutatur uno capite super foreram Alexandri Kyng de Psychirche et alio super le Brok; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo capitali domino unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Robert Freeman and Arnold le Leif occur both before (nos. 261, 278-9, &c.) and after 1290 (Freeman occurs in 1300 in V2, f. 47); nos. 274-6 are later, but presumably not much later than 1290. For the grantor of nos. 275-6, see no. 260.

<sup>1</sup> Possibly the manor of Belsize ('Belassise') in Castor (cf. *P.N. Northants.*, p. 232). The fee of Marholm had appurtenances in several neighbouring vills (P, p. 45 n.); its meadow near the *Geroundel* furlong is mentioned again in no. 301.

275. Grant by Thomas Cok of Glinton to Arnold le Leif of Werrington, and his heirs, of 3 roods in Glinton upon the Hill, between the land of Hugh Feyner on the north and of Alice atte Cross on the south, abutting at one end on the land of Alexander Kyng of Peakirk and at the other on the Brook; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *After 1290*

[*f.* 42<sup>v</sup>] Item Thomas Cok de Glynton dedit etc. Arnaldo le Leif de Wytherington et heredibus suis unam trirodam terre iacentem in campis de Glynton uppenhil, inter terram Hugonis Feyner ex parte aquilonari et terram Alicie ad crucem ex parte australi, et abuttat uno capite super terram Alexandri Kyng de Peychirch et alio super le Brok; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo capitali domino feodi debitum seruicium, scilicet tres obolos ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

276. Grant by Thomas Cok of Glinton to Arnold Leif of Werrington, his heirs and assigns, of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Glinton, of which 1 acre lies in the West field of Glinton between the land of Michael Rowe on the south and the lands of Robert Carter and Ralph Carter on the north, abutting at one end on the *Kyrke akyr* and at the other on the road from Glinton to Marholm (see no. 261); and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in South field between the land of the rector of Peakirk and of Michael Rowe, abutting on the land of Hawise Wolwin at one end and at the other on the land of Walter Knotte; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of *2d.*, doubled for relief. *After 1290*

Item Thomas Cok de Glinton dedit etc. Ernaldo Leif de Wytherington, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Glynton, unde una acra iacet in Westfeld de Glinton inter terram Michaelis Rowe ex parte australi et terras Roberti caretarii et Radulphi caretarii ex parte aquilonari, et abuttat uno capite super le Kyrke akyr et alio super uiam que ducit de Glinton apud Marham; et una dimidia acra iacet in Suthfeld inter terram rectoris de Peykyrke et terram Michaelis Rowe, et abuttat super terram Auicie Wolwyne et alio super terram Walteri Knotte; habendam de capitali domino feodi, reddendo capitali domino feodi duos denarios ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio firma unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

277. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glinton to Michael le Herice of Peakirk and Lucy his wife of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton in the South field, between the abbot's land and the land which William Cruke once held of the abbot of Crowland; and 1 rood in Woodcroft with the land of Roger Bernard on either side, abutting on the Brook to the east and on the land once held by Geoffrey atte Stile of Glinton on the west; and 1 rood in the same field by the land of Michael Wolwin of Glinton, abutting in the same way as the previous rood; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of *1d.* *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus Freman de Glinton dedit etc. Michaeli le Herice et Lucie uxori sue de Peykyrke unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in teritorio de Glynton in campo australi, inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo et terram quam Willelmus Cruke quondam tenuit de abbate de Croyland; et unam rodam iacentem in teritorio de Wodecroft ex utraque parte [*f.* 43] inter terras Rogeri Bernard, et extendit uersus orientem super riululum aque et uersus occidentem super terram quondam Galfridi ad scalarium de Glinton; et unam rodam terre in eodem campo iuxta terram Michaelis Wulwyne de Glinton et in utroque capite sicut et predicta alia roda capitat; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290. For Michael le Herice, see no. 138 and above, p. lxii. He occurs very frequently in the Glinton charters, and was probably dead by 1290 (see no. 294; he occurs once in a document of 1296 (no. 272), but he may well not have been alive). Since his father occurs in the Surveys, documents in which he occurs may be dated mid or late 13th century. For Michael Wolwin, cf. nos. 279, 288, 325, 331; Geoffrey atte Stile, no. 291; William Cruke, no. 279. Nos. 277-80 all have the same grantor and recipients.

278. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glington to Michael le Herice of Peakirk and Lucy his wife, and their heirs, of 2 acres in Glington, of which 1 acre lies upon the Hill, between the land of Simon atte Cross of Glington and of Geoffrey son of Geoffrey of the same, abutting at one end on the Brook; 3 roods in the same field near Northborough bridge between the land of John son of Walter (?) of Glington and of Simon atte Cross, abutting on his own meadow at one end and on Northborough weye at the other; and 1 rood in the same field between the land of Peter Panne and the land of Basilia widow of Glington, abutting on the (land) of John Durand of Glington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d., doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus Freman de Glington dedit etc. Michaeli Herice de Peykyrke et Lucie uxori sue et heredibus eorum duas acras terre in campis de Glington, quarum una acra iacet huponhil, inter terram Simonis ad crucem de Glington et terram Galfridi filii Galfridi de eadem, et abuttat uno capite super le Brok; et una triroda iacet in eodem campo prope Norbur brig inter terram Johannis filii Walterot' (*sic*) de Glington et terram Simonis ad crucem, et abuttat super pratum suum et alio capite super Norbur weye; et una roda iacet in eodem campo inter terram Petri Panne et terram Basilie uidue de Glington, et abuttat super (terram) Johannis Duraunt de Glington; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuo redditus unius anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 277. A John Durand occurs before 1263 (nos. 526, 528), and in 1270, 1275, 1282 (F, pp. 82-83, 88-89, 46—twice specified as John Durand of Peterborough).

279. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glington to Michael Herice of Glington and Lucy his wife, and their heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glington in the South field, between the land of Robert Durand of Glington and of William Cruke of the same, abutting at one end on the land of Michael Wolwin of Glington; to be held of himself and his heirs (for a rent) which shall be doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus le Freman de Glington dedit etc. Michael Herice de Glington et Lucie uxori sue et heredibus eorum unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Glington in campo qui uocatur Suthfeld, inter terram Roberti Durant de Glington et terram Willelmi Cruke de eadem, et abuttat uno capite super terram Michaelis Wolwyn de Glington; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, et pro releuo firma unius [*f. 43<sup>v</sup>*] anni duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data.

280. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glington to Michael Herice of Peakirk and Lucy his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Glington, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies at *Stapples* between the land of William Freeman and of Michael son of Lauretta, abutting at one end on the Brook; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the lands of John son of Jocelin and Gunnilda of Glington and of the land of Robert Carter, abutting at one end on the meadow; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d., doubled for relief.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus Freman de Glington dedit etc. Michaeli Herice de Peykyrke et Lucie uxori sue, heredibus uel assignatis suis, unam acram terre in campo de Glington, unde dimidia acra iacet apud *Stapples* inter terram Willelmi Franchume et terram Michaelis filii Laurot', et abuttat uno capite super le Brok; et dimidia acra iacet inter terram Johannis filii Goscelini et Gunnilde (*Ance<sup>o</sup>*) de Glington ex una parte et terram Roberti le Carter ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super le medwe; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Gulam Augusti<sup>1</sup> pro omni seruicio, et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data.

281. Grant by Richard son of Richard of *Scotendon* to Adam of *Bolingbroke*, tanner, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre of meadow in *Westing* at *Thacfurlong*, between the meadow

<sup>1</sup> Lammas-day, 1 Aug.

of the lord of Marholm<sup>1</sup> and the meadow of Robert son of Walter Lefsi, abutting at one end on the headland of Walter son of Lefsi and at the other on the meadow of the lord of Lolham (in Maxey<sup>2</sup>); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief (see no. 348).  
Before 1271

Item Ricardus filius Ricardi de Scotindun dedit etc. Ade de Bullinbrok tannatori, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam acram prati iacentem in Westing, scilicet ad Thacfurlong, inter pratum domini de Marham et pratum Roberti filii Walteri Lefsi, unde unum capud abuttat super foreram Walteri filii Lefsi et alterum super pratum domini de Leaum; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus tres obolos ad festum Sancti Petri pro omnibus seruiciis, et pro releuio seruicium dupplicabitur. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* A Richard of *Scotendon* occurs at frequent intervals from before 1191 (nos. 496, 498) to 1270 (F, pp. 81-83); presumably there were two or three of the name in succession. Since Richard's widow occurs in 1271 (F, pp. 80-81), this charter is presumably not later than that year. Since the donor is at least the second Richard, since Walter Lefsi (whose son is mentioned here as well as himself) occurs in the Surveys, and since Adam of Bolingbroke occurs in 1266 (F, p. 32; cf. the Adam Tanner of no. 528, 1250-63), this charter probably belongs to the middle years of the century.

282. Grant by Richard son of Richard of *Scotendon* to William son of Geoffrey Kyng of Glinton, his heirs and assigns, of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable and 1 acre of meadow in Glinton, which Richard of *Scotendon* bought from William Campioun of Glinton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $4d.$  (See no. 348.)  
Before 1271

Item Ricardus filius Ricardi de Scotendon dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi Kyng de Glinton, heredibus et assignatis suis, duas acras et dimidiam terre et unam acram prati in teritorio de Glinton, scilicet illas acras quas Ricardus de Scottendon emit de Willelmo Campioun de Glinton; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis quatuor denarios ad festum Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data (Willelmus Kyng.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the parties, see nos. 281, 217.

283. Grant by Geoffrey son of Geoffrey of Glinton to Michael le Herice of Peakirk of 1 rood in Glinton between the Brooks (?), lying between the land of the same Michael and of Ralph on the Hill of Peakirk, abutting on the meadow to the north and at the other end towards Glinton on the *Forthe*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$   
Mid or late 13th century

Item Galfridus filius Galfridi de Glinton dedit etc.<sup>a</sup> [f. 44] Michaeli le Herice de Peykyrke unam rodam terre in campis de Glinton inter riuulos, iacentem inter terram dicti Michaelis et terram Radulphi super Hil de Peykyrke, et abuttat super pratum uersus boream uno capite et in alio capite uersus Glinton super le Forthe; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Michael le Herice is recipient of nos. 283-5, 287-8; for his date, see no. 277. No. 285, in which he is identified by his father's name, and whose grantor occurs in the Surveys (and cf. no. 342) may be dated early in the second half of the century; but see note to no. 331.

284. Grant by Ralph Greyeye of Northborough to Michael le Herice of Peakirk of 1 acre of meadow in the meadow of Northborough on *Brokfurlong*, between the meadow of William Freeman of Peakirk and of William the Brewster (Brewer) of Northborough, abutting on the Brook to the south and on the headland which Geoffrey Caym once held to the north; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$   
Mid or late 13th century

<sup>a</sup> Item—&c. repeated on f. 44.

<sup>1</sup> See above, no. 272.

<sup>2</sup> *P.N. Northants.*, p. 238; P, pp. 34 and n., 71 n.

Item Radulphus Greyeye de Norburgo dedit etc. Michaeli le Herice de Psychirche unam dimidiam acram prati in prato de Norburgo iacentem super le Brokfurlong, inter pratum Willelmi le Freman de Peichirche et pratum Willelmi le Breuster de Norburgo, et abuttat super le Brok uersus austrum et super foreram quam Galfridus Caym quondam tenuit uersus aquilonem; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Hugo Wake.<sup>1</sup>)

285. Grant by Walter son of Lefsi of Glinton to Michael son of Reginald le Herice of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton, between the land of Ralph son of Geoffrey of Glinton and of William son of Geoffrey le Westerne<sup>1</sup> of Peakirk, abutting on the *Bradegate* to the east and on the mill to the west; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Walterus filius Lefsi de Glinton dedit etc. Michaeli filio Reginaldi le Herice de Psychirche unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Glinton, scilicet illam dimidiam acram terre que abuttat super le Bradegate uersus orientem et extendit se ad molendinum uersus occidentem, iacentem inter terram Radulphi filii Galfridi de Glinton ex una parte et terram Willelmi filii Galfridi le Westerne de (Glinton<sup>2</sup>) Peichirche ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Castor.<sup>3</sup>)

286. Grant by William Blauet to Geoffrey of Peakirk son of Helewise, and his heirs, of 1 acre of meadow in *Guwerundeil* abutting on Car Dyke,<sup>2</sup> and 1 rood by the meadow of Walter of Preston on the north; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d. to the altar of St. Mary of Oxney for the souls of his father and mother (cf. nos. 295, 301).

*Early or mid 13th century*

Item Willelmus Blauet dedit etc. Galfrido de Peikyrke filio Helewys et heredibus suis unam acram prati in Guwerundeil que capitat super Cares dic, et unam rodam que iacet iuxta pratum Walteri de Preston apud aquilonem; tenendas de se et de heredibus, [f. 44<sup>v</sup>] reddendo inde annuatim ad festum Sancti Michaelis altari Beate Marie de Ocseneye pro animabus patris et matris unum denarium. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 44*: J. Wolwyn.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Walter of Preston held the Woodcroft fee from early in the century until his death in 1230 (P, pp. 140-1 and n.; above, p. lxi). This charter can hardly be much later than 1230. For the recipient see note to no. 289.

287. Grant by (? William<sup>3</sup>) son of Gilbert Seriaunt of Helpston to Michael le Herice of Peakirk and Lucy his wife of 3 roods in Werrington in the field called *Bacfeld*, between the land of William son of Odo of Werrington and of Simon son of Sandra of Peakirk, abutting on the road between Glinton and Peterborough; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item filius Gilberti Seriaunt de Helpiston dedit etc. Michaeli le Herice de Peikyrke et Lucie uxori sue unam trirodam terre iacentem in teritorio de Wytherington in campo qui uocatur Bacfeld, inter terram Willelmi filii Odonis de Wytherington et terram Simonis filii Sandre de Peikirke, et extendit se super uiam inter Glinton et Burgum; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Gulam Augusti. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ricardus o the Dam.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* See note to no. 283.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 331.

<sup>2</sup> An ancient canal running from the Witham to the Nene near Peterborough, linked with the Cambridgeshire Car Dyke, which runs between Cam and Ouse.

<sup>3</sup> Cf. no. 298.

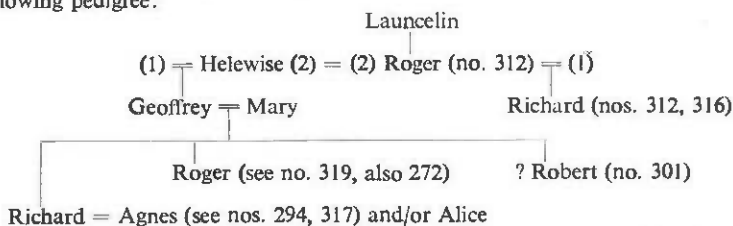
288. Grant by Robert son of Richard of Paston to Michael Herice of Peakirk of 1 acre in Glinton on *Manslantforlong*, between the land of Walter Knotte on the east and of Nicholas atte Cross of Glinton on the west, abutting on the headland of Michael Wolwin on the south and stretching as far as the meadow of *Manslant*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus filius Ricardi de Paston dedit etc. Michaeli Herice de Peykyrke unam acram terre in campis de Glinton iacentem super Manslantforlong, inter terram Walteri Cnotte a parte orientali et terram Nicholai ad crucem de Glinton ex parte occidentali, et abuttat super foreram Micha(e)lis Wolwyne a parte meridionali, et extendit se usque ad pratum de Manslant; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data. (Willelmus Westerne.<sup>1</sup>)<sup>1</sup>

289. Grant by Warin son of Ascelin Hereward of Glinton to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton called *Benelond*, between the land of the rector of Peakirk and of Michael Wolwin; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ , doubled for relief (see no. 297). *Before 1290*

Item Warinus filius Ascelini Hereward de Glinton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peikyryke unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Glinton qui uocatur Benelond, inter terram rectoris de Peikirke ex una parte et terram Michaelis Wolwyn ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio, et pro releuio seruicium annuale duplicabitur. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Kyrkeyate.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* This is the first of a number of charters of Richard son of Mary—nos. 289, 291-7, 309-14, 317-18; cf. 301, 320; nos. 286, 315-16 are also a part of his archive, since Geoffrey son of Helewise was apparently his father. Comparison of nos. 312 and 316 proves that they were related; and of 310 and 318 that Mary had been Geoffrey's wife (see note to 318); and from no. 318 supplemented by 312, 316, and the other documents referred to we may deduce the following pedigree:



Helewise and Geoffrey occur in no. 316; Geoffrey in nos. 286, 295, 315; Richard, normally called son of Mary, appears as son of Geoffrey in nos. 295-6.

Geoffrey son of Helewise occurs in the Surveys, and presumably flourished in the middle of the century and perhaps even earlier (no. 286; but cf. no. 295). Richard and Roger both spanned 1290 (in no. 309, Richard occurs after 1290, in 272 Roger occurs in 1295-6); but the large majority of Richard's charters were pre-1290. His *floruit* must have covered approximately the last third of the century.

For the grantor of this charter, cf. nos. 294, 297, and note to no. 336.

290. Quit-claim by Hugh son of John to Geoffrey son of Roger and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton, abutting on Marholm dyke, between the land of the abbot of Crowland and of Ascelin Godifs, which he held of the same Geoffrey's fee.

Item Hugo filius Johannis reddidit et quietam clamauit etc. Galfrido filio Rogeri et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de Glinton

<sup>1</sup> It is possible that there may be some connexion between this document and an entry in the Werrington (not Glinton) Court Roll of 1321, in which William son of Simon le Westerne paid 2s. for entry to 1 acre of free land which Simon atte Dam and Alice his wife had surrendered to the abbot. A previous entry reveals that Alice was daughter and heiress of Reginald Herice, whom we may conjecture to have been Michael's successor.



que abuttat super Marhamdik inter terram [f. 45] abbatis de Croyland et terram Ascelini Godifs, quam tenuit de feodo ipsius predicti Galfridi. Sine warentia et sine data.

291. Grant by Geoffrey son of Geoffrey atte Stile of Glington to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of 2 butts of land in Glington in the field called *Landpithegges*, by the land of William Freeman of Peakirk on the north, abutting on *Bradegate* to the west and on the headland of Ralph son of Simon once reeve of Glington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  of free geld, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Galfridus filius Galfridi ad Style de Glington dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peikirke duas buttas terre iacentes in campo de Glington qui dicitur *Landpithegges*, iuxta terram Willelmi Freman de Peikirke ex parte boriali, et abuttant super *Bradegate* uersus occidentem et super foreram Radulphi filii Simonis quondam prepositi de Glington; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum de libera wara ad festum Omnium Sanctorum pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium annuale pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Kyrkeyate.<sup>1</sup>)

292. Grant by William Freeman of Peakirk to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of 1 acre in the West field of Glington, between the land of Michael Herice of Peakirk and of the same Richard; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1d.$ , doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Willelmus le Freman de Peykirke dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peikirke unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Glington in le Westfeld, inter terram Michaelis Herice de Peikirke et terram dicti Ricardi ex altera; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus unum denarium ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

293. Grant by Reginald son of Geoffrey of Glington to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in the South field of Glington, between the land of William son of Jocelin of Peakirk and of Alice widow of Geoffrey son of Ascelot of Glington, abutting to the west on the headland of John son of Pleasance, widow, of Peakirk and to the east on the headland of Michael le Herice; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  of free geld. *Before 1290*

Item Reginaldus filius Galfridi de Glington dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de (Glington<sup>c</sup>) Peykyrke unam rodam et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis (*sic*) de Glington qui uocatur Suthfeld, inter terram Willelmi filii Gocelini de Peikyke et terram Alicie relictæ Galfridi filii Ascelot de Glington, et abuttat capite occidentali super foreram Johannis filii Placencie uidue de Psych(irche) et capite orientali super foreram Michaelis le Herice; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo annuatim sibi, heredibus suis, unum obolum libere ware ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

294. Grant by Warin of Glington son of Ascelin Hereward (cf. no. 289) to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk and Agnes his wife of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the field in Glington called *Bedwynethorn*,<sup>1</sup> between the lands of Geoffrey atte Pit and of William Butcher, abutting at one end on the land of Lucy widow of Peakirk and at the other on the land of Simon atte *Hegge* of Werrington; to be held of himself and his heirs for  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  of free geld, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Warinus de Glington filius Ascelini Hereward [f. 45<sup>o</sup>] dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Psychirche et Agneti uxori sue unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Glington qui uocatur *Bedwynethorn*, inter terras Galfridi ad Pith et Willelmi Bucher, et abuttat in uno capite super terram

<sup>1</sup> See nos. 297, 324.

Lucie uidue de Peichirche et alio super terram Simonis ad Hegge de Wytherington; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum de libera wara ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, et dupplicando annuale seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Kyrkeyate.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* If Lucy is widow to Michael le Herice, as seems likely, this charter cannot be many years earlier than 1290 (cf. no. 277). Richard son of Mary's wife appears here as Agnes, as Alice in 317; either one of these is a mistake, or he was married twice.

295. Grant by Geoffrey son of Helewise of Peakirk to Richard his son (cf. no. 289) of 1 rood of meadow called *Gore brode rode*, in *Gudherendel*, in the meadow of Northborough, lying next the meadow of Robert of *Coleuile* on the south; to be held of God and the church of Oxney for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  to be laid on the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the church of Oxney for the souls of his predecessors and successors (cf. nos. 286, 301).

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Galfridus filius Helewise de Peichirche dedit etc. Ricardo filio suo unam rodam prati in Gudherendel, scilicet in prato de Northburgo, que uocatur Gore brode rode, iacentem iuxta pratum Roberti de Coleuile ex parte australi; tenendam de Deo et de ecclesia de Oxeneye, reddendo inde annuatim unum quadrantem super altare Sancte Marie Uirginis ecclesie de Oxeneye pro animabus antecessorum et successorum. Cum warentia et sine data. (Hugo Northburg.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* See note to no. 289. The *tenendam* clause might suggest a date later than 1290. It is clear that the result of nos. 286 and 289 would have been to make Richard son of Mary tenant of Oxney church for this land, and this document may have been made to reveal the result of the whole transaction; for this kind of substitution clause, see above, p. xvii n. A Robert de Colville occurs in 1243 (P, p. 34 n.).

296. Grant by William Freeman son of Henry of Peakirk to Richard son of Geoffrey of Peakirk (cf. no. 289) of 1 acre in the West field of Glinton between his own land and the land of Ralph son of Deda (?) of Glinton, abutting to the east on *Bradegate* and to the west on the Cley and on the land of John Pleysaunt;<sup>1</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $1d.$ , doubled for relief.

*Before 1290*

Item Willelmus le Freman filius Henrici de Peichirche dedit etc. Ricardo filio Galfridi de Peichirche unam acram terre in Westfeld de Glinton inter terram suam et terram Radulphi filii Dede (*sic*) de Glinton, et abuttat uno capite uersus orientem super Bradegate et altero uersus occidentem super le Cley et super terram Johannis Pleysaunt; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et dupplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

297. Quit-claim by Agnes widow of Warin Hereward in free widowhood to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk, and his heirs, of her dowry rights in two  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Glinton, of which one lies in *Benelond* by the land of the rector of Peakirk (see no. 289), and the other at *Dedwynethorn*<sup>2</sup> by the land of Hugh in the Pit (cf. no. 294).

*Probably late 13th century*

Item Agnes quondam uxor Warini Hereward in sua libera uiduitate remisit et quietum clamauit Ricardo filio Marie de Peich(yrche) et heredibus suis totum ius et clamium quod habuit nomine dotis in duabus dimidiis acris terre in campis de Glinton, quarum una (dimidia) acra [*f. 46*] iacet in Benelond iuxta terram rectoris ecclesie de Peichirche et alia dimidia acra iacet apud Dedwynethorn iuxta terram Hugonis in le Pyth. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* After nos. 289 and 294, and the death of their grantor, but still in the lifetime of Richard son of Mary (cf. no. 289).

<sup>1</sup> Cf. John son of Pleasance (no. 293) and 'Plaisaunt' (no. 299).

<sup>2</sup> See nos. 294, 324.

298. Grant by William son of Gilbert Seriaunt of Helpston to Walter son of Geoffrey Carter of Glinton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Werrington, between the land of Roger Hoky and of Agnes in the Lane, abutting on the land of Geoffrey Godwin to the south; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of *1d.* *Probably mid or late 13th century*

Item Willelmus filius Gilberti Seriaunt de Helpston dedit etc. Waltero filio Galfridi Carter de Glinton unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in teritorio de Wytherington inter terram Rogeri Hoky et terram Agnetis in Lane, et extendit se super terram Galfridi Godwyne uersus austrum; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Gulam Augusti pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For the grantor, cf. no. 287.

299. Grant by Geoffrey son of Hugh of Glinton with the assent of his wife and their heirs to Reginald son of Geoffrey son of Durand of 1 rood in Glinton, lying between the land of Geoffrey son of Sewer and the land of Pleasance of Peakirk, abutting on the headland of Simon Cabus; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* *Before 1290*

Item Galfridus filius Hugonis de Glinton assensu uxoris sue et heredum suorum dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Galfridi (de<sup>c</sup>) filii Dorant unam rodam terre in campis de Glinton, iacentem inter terram Galfridi filii Sewer et terram Plaisaunt de Peichirche, et abuttat super foreram Simonis Cabus; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Not long before 1290; cf. no. 306 and note. Plaisaunt (Pleasant or Pleasance) may possibly have been mother of John son of Pleasance in no. 293 and John Pleysaunt in no. 296.

300. Grant by Emma le Westerne of Peakirk to William her son of 1 acre in Etton, between the land of the rector of Etton and of William of Blundeston,<sup>1</sup> abutting to the west on the royal road between Etton and Woodcroft; and 1 rood of meadow in the meadow of Etton called *Westheng*, next the meadow of the nuns of St. Michael's Priory, Stamford, abutting on the dyke between the crofts of Etton and the same meadow at one end and at the other on the water-course which runs out of *Saxpol*. She also granted him an annual rent of *8d.* due from 3 acres which her father gave to his daughters as their marriage portions; rendering to the chief lord the service due.

Item Emma le Westerne de Peichirche dedit etc. Willelmo filio suo unam acram terre iacentem in campo de Etton inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Etton et terram Willelmi de Bluntesdon, et extendit se uersus occidentem super uiam regiam inter Etton et Wodecroft; et unam rodam prati iacentem in prato de Etton quod uocatur *Westheng* iuxta pratum monialium Sancti Michaelis (de) Staunford, et extendit se super fossatum quod est inter croftos de Etton et dictum pratum, et extendit se super deductum<sup>a</sup> aque egredientem de *Saxpol*. Preterea concessit eidem Willelmo annuatim percipiendos octo denarios annui redditus de tribus aliis [*f. 46<sup>v</sup>*] acris terre quas pater dedit filiabus suis in maritagium; habenda etc., reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino seruicium debitum pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Very difficult to date, because there seem to have been at least two William le Westernes. William son of Geoffrey occurs in the second half of the 13th century (see note to no. 331); the other William occurs in the margins to nos. 216, 288, and so presumably belongs to the second quarter of the 14th century. William of Blundeston suggests an early date, since he occurs in a charter undoubtedly pre-1290 (no. 323); on the other hand the truncated *habenda* clause looks post 1290.

<sup>a</sup> *seductum* MS., probably by attraction from *se super*. Possibly the word should be *ductum*, but for *deductum* in this sense, see no. 317.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 323; the place may be Blundeston (Suffolk) or, less probably, Blunsdon (Wilts.).

301. Grant by Robert (?) son of Mary of Peakirk to Thomas of Etton and Agnes his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 rood of meadow in *Gurundal* furlong, between the meadow of the lord of Marholm and of Geoffrey Forester of Woodcroft, abutting at one end on Car Dyke; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  (cf. nos. 286, 295). *After 1290*

Item Robertus filius Marie de Peykyrke dedit etc. Thome de Etton et Agneti uxori sue, et heredibus suis uel assignatis, unam rodain prati iacentem in Gurundal furlong inter pratum domini de Marham et pratum Galfridi le Forester de Wodecroft, et abuttat uno capite super Caredyk; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo annuatim capitali domino unum obolum (ad festum) Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* The grantor's name may be an error for Richard or Roger, or an otherwise unrecorded brother who had somehow acquired this piece of their property (cf. nos. 272, 286, 295). In either event it is unlikely to be many years later than 1290.

302. Grant by William son of the carter of Glinton and Alice his wife to Thomas of Etton (?)<sup>1</sup> and Agnes his wife, and their heirs, of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in the South field of Glinton, between the land of Walter Lewes on the west and the land of Henry Buche, abutting at one end on the road from Peakirk to Glinton and at the other, to the south, on the land of Iggritha widow; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  *After 1290*

Item Willelmus filius<sup>a</sup> carectarii de Glinton et Alicia uxor sua unanimi assensu dederunt etc. Thome de Eketon<sup>2</sup> et Agneti uxori sue et heredibus, unam rodain et dimidiam terre iacentem in Suthfeld de Glinton inter terram Walteri Lewe ex parte occidentali et terram Henrici Buche, et abuttat uno capite super uiam per quam itur de Peichirche apud Glinton et alio uersus austrum super terram Iggrithe uidue; habendam de capitali domino, reddendo annuatim capitali domino unum obolum in die Ramis Palmarum pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* For Walter Lewes, see nos. 260, 262, &c. His name suggests a date not long after 1290. The recipients are probably the same as in no. 301. An Alice Carter of Glinton occurs in 1320 and 1321 (no. 180; Walton Court Roll).

303. Grant by Maud widow of William son of Audelin of Marholm to William Kyng as a marriage portion with her daughter Beatrice of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton in *Goris*, between the land of the parson of Peakirk,<sup>2</sup> abutting on the land of Roger Kyng on the east and at the other end on the road from Marholm; to be held of God and the leper brothers of the hospital of St. Leonard of Peterborough, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ <sup>3</sup> (cf. no. 304).

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Maud quondam uxor Willelmi filii Audelin de Marham dedit etc. Willelmo Kyng in maritagio cum Beatrice filia sua unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Glinton in *Goris*, inter terram persone de Psychirche, et abuttat super terram Rogeri Kyng in orientali capite et in alio capite super uiam que ducit de Marham; habendam de Deo et de leprosis fratribus Sancti Leonardi de Burgo, reddendo annuatim Deo et leprosis fratribus unum obolum ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> A Christian name may be missing here.

<sup>1</sup> The reading 'Eketon' is difficult to interpret, but the coincidence with the names of the recipients in no. 301 strongly suggests that Thomas was Thomas of Etton—unless Etton has been read in no. 301 by the scribe for some less familiar place. It is just possible that Etton was earlier spelt 'Ecton' and that 'Eketon' is a rendering of this (cf. *P.N. Northants.*, p. 234; the reading cited from the *Chron. Petroburg.*—i.e. the *Black Book*—could as well be 'Ecton').

<sup>2</sup> No. 304 confirms that this clause is correctly rendered; otherwise one might presume either that some words were missing or that 'inter' should be 'iuxta'. Presumably the rector's land lay on both sides.

<sup>3</sup> It is curious that the same land is given in no. 304, to be held of the grantor (son of the grantor of 303). This is one of a small group of charters (see above, p. xvii n.) which are clearly pre-1290 and make no reference to the 'chief lord' but none the less imply substitution not subinfeudation. Presumably no. 303 represents the actual result of the whole transaction, which was to make Maud a tenant of the hospital, while no. 304 represents the normal diplomatic of the day.

*Date.* Cf. no. 217, in which William Kyng also appears as a tenant of the hospital. He is probably to be identified with the William Kyng of the Surveys.

304. Grant by Robert son of William son of Audelin to William Kyng of Glington, with Beatrice his sister, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glington . . . (as no. 303);  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre between his own land and the land of Walter Clerk of Glington, abutting at one end on Marholm dyke and at the other on the abbot's headland; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in *Stonilond* between the abbot's meadow and the meadow of William of Glington, abutting on the brook of Northborough and at the other end on the land of Simon son of W(olwin) of Glington; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.* (see no. 327).  
*Probably mid 13th century.*

Item Robertus filius Willelmi filius Audelin dedit etc. Willelmo Kyng de Glington, cum Beatrice sorore sua, unam dimidiam [*f.* 47] acram terre in campis de Glington in Goris, inter terram persone de Peichirche, que abuttat super terram Rogeri Kyng in orientali capite et in alio capite super uiam que ducit de Marham; et unam dimidiam acram inter terram suam et terram Walteri clerici de Glington, et abuttat in uno capite super Marham dyk et in alio capite super foreram domini abbatis de Burgo; et unam dimidiam acram prati in Stonilond inter pratum domini abbatis de Burgo et pratum Willelmi de Glington, que abuttat super riuulum de Norburgo et alio capite super terram Simonis filii (Wolwini)\* de Glington; habendas de se et de heredibus suis etc., reddendo annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Contemporary with no. 303.

305. Grant by John Freeman of Peakirk to Walter son of Geoffrey Lewes<sup>1</sup> of Glington, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glington on the *Stapplies*, between the land of Michael Reeve of Peakirk and the land of Reginald Palmer of Glington, abutting to the east on the land of Reginald Crinch, and to the west on the *Wrongbrok*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*  
*Before 1290*

Item Johannes le Freman de Peychyrche dedit etc. Waltero filio Galfridi Lewyne de Glington, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Glington super le Stapplies, inter terram Michaelis prepositi de Peichirche et terram Reginaldi le Paumer de Glington, et abuttat uno capite uersus orientem super terram Reginaldi Crinch, et alio uersus occidentem super le Wrongbrok; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* John Freeman occurs not long before 1290 (nos. 263, 317), and Geoffrey son of Lewin, the recipient's father, in the middle of the century (no. 266; cf. 264). Reginald Palmer is mentioned in no. 274—after 1290.

306. Grant by Geoffrey son of Durand of Glington to Agnes his daughter of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glington, adjacent with the 2 selions of the abbot, abutting on *Westbrok* to the east, towards the west bridge,<sup>2</sup> which Jocelyn son of Walter of Glington sold to him, his heirs and assigns (see no. 307); to be held of the hospital of Dingley (Knights' Hospitallers) for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*  
*Probably mid 13th century*

Item (Willelmus<sup>3</sup>) Galfridus filius Durandi de Glington dedit etc. Agneti filie sue unam dimidiam acram terre in territorio de Glington—scilicet superiacentem duas seliones abbatis de Burgo, cuius capud orientale lanceat<sup>3</sup> super

\* Will'i MS: Wolwini, no. 327. The former is an easy slip in any case, made easier by Willelmi de Glington above. For Simon Wolwin cf. nos. 177, 328.

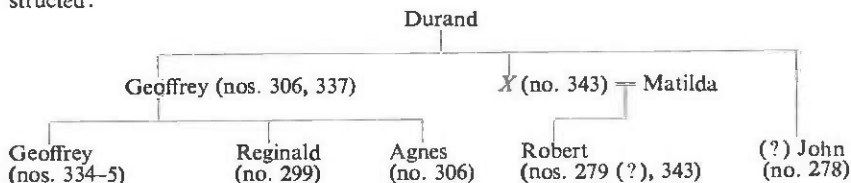
<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 260.

<sup>2</sup> Possibly there is a description of the bridge missing, and 'uersus occidentem' is meant to balance 'caput orientale'.

<sup>3</sup> *lanceo* originally meant to wield a lance, and so 'project', first of all transitively, later intransitively. By this time it has come to be used simply as the equivalent of *abutto* (ex inf. R. E. Latham).

Westbrok, uersus occidentem pontem—illam quam Goscelinus filius Walteri de Glinton uendidit sibi et heredibus suis et assignatis; tenendam de hospitale de Dinglele, reddendo inde annuatim hospitali de Dynglele in die Sancti Egidii abbatis unum obolum pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* From these documents the following pedigree of the Durand family can be reconstructed:



It is not certain whether Matilda's husband and John are really members of the same family; but it is possible that Matilda's husband was Geoffrey and Robert a fourth child of Geoffrey son of Durand.

Since Reginald was operating on his own before 1290 (no. 299), and Geoffrey II occurs in charters with William le Westerne (nos. 334-5), documents in which the previous generation appear are presumably of the mid 13th century, and nos. 337 and 343 are certainly pre-1290. For subinfeudation to religious houses, see above, p. xvii n.

307. Grant by Jocelyn son of Walter of Paston to Geoffrey son of Durand of Glinton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton, lying on *Howam*, between the abbot's land, abutting to the east on the Brook; to be held of the hospital of Dingley for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  (see no. 306).

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Goscelinus filius Walteri de Paston dedit etc. [*f.* 47<sup>v</sup>] Galfrido filio Durandi de Glinton dimidium acram terre in territorio de Glinton, et iacet super *Howam* et finit ad riuum uersus orientem inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo; tenendam de hospitale de Dynglele, reddendo inde annuatim hospitali prenominato unum obolum in die Sancti Egidii pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

308. Grant by Robert son of Ralph Freeman of Glinton to William le Westerne of Glinton of 2 acres in Glinton, of which 1 acre lies between the land of the rector of Peakirk on the north and of Walter son of the reeve on the south, abutting on the Brook to the east and the abbot's (land) to the west; and 1 acre lying between the land of Hugh atte Pit on the south and of John Puchapun on the east (*sic*—? for north), abutting on the land of Hugh atte Pit on the east and of William Danay to the west; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2*d.*, doubled for relief.

*Before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Radulphi le Freman de Glinton<sup>a</sup> dedit etc. Willelmo le Westerne de Glinton duas acras terre in campis de Glinton, unde una acra iacet inter terram rectoris de Peykyrke ex parte boreali et terram Walteri filii prepositi ex parte australi, et abuttat super le brok uersus orientem et (terram) domini abbatis uersus occidentem; et alia acra iacet inter terram Hugonis ad le Pyth ex parte australi et terram Johannis Puchapun ex parte orientali (*sic*), et abuttat super terram Hugonis a le Pyth uersus orientem et terram Willelmi Danay uersus occidentem; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio, et duplicando seruicium pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* John Puchapun and Hugh atte Pit occur comparatively late in the century (nos. 264, 297); Robert Freeman occurs both before and after 1290 (cf. no. 274 and note); for William le Westerne see notes to nos. 300, 331.

309. Grant by Hugh son of Isolda of Glinton to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$

<sup>a</sup> de Glinton repeated in MS.

acre in the West field of Glinton at *Staples*, between the land of Hugh atte Cross of Glinton and of Ascelin son of Hugh of Peakirk, abutting to the east on the land of Reginald Leman of Glinton and to the west on the Brook which runs from Woodcroft; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of 1d. to the lord, and 6d. for the common light of the church of St. Benedict, Glinton, for the souls of his predecessors and successors. *After 1290*

Item Hugo<sup>1</sup> filius Isolde de Glinton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peychirche unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo occidentali de Glinton apud Staples, inter terram Hugonis ad crucem de Glinton et terram Ascelini filii Hugonis de Peychirche, et extendit se uersus orientem super terram Reginaldi Leman de Glinton et uersus occidentem super (terram<sup>e</sup>) riuulum aque uenientem de Wodecroft; tenendam de capitali domino, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis et vjd. luminari communi ecclesie Sancti Benedicti de Glinton, pro animabus antecessorum et successorum suorum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 309-19 are a group of charters for Richard son of Mary and his family, for whom see note to no. 289.

310. Grant by Geoffrey son of Geoffrey of Glinton to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in exchange for 1 rood; the  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in Glinton in *Waterslade* between the land of Nicholas atte Cross on the west and of William of Braybrooke on the east, abutting on *Strete gate*; and the rood lies in Northborough in (Reginald) Slo's croft, with Slo's land on either side (see no. 318); for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. *Late 13th century*

[f. 48] Item Galfridus filius Galfridi de Glinton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peychirche unam dimidiam acram terre in escambyum pro una roda terre; que quidem dimidia acra iacet in campis de Glinton in *Waterslade* inter terram Nicholai ad crucem ex parte occidentali et terram Willelmi de Braybrok (ex parte) orientali, et abuttat super *Strete gate*; et dicta roda in campis de Norburgo iacet in Sloys croft, inter terram dicti Slo ex utraque parte; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Omnium Sanctorum pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably pre-1290, but the truncated *tenendam* clause makes certainty impossible.

311. Grant by Alice daughter of Robert Kyng of Glinton to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of 1 acre and 1 rood in Werrington in *Lantopithegg*, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies by the abbot's land, abutting to the east on the road to Marholm and to the west on the boundary towards Woodcroft;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies by the land of Richard of Helpston (cf. no. 207), abutting on the abbot's field to the west and extending beyond the road to Marholm; and 1 rood lies as a headland by the road to Marholm, abutting at both ends on the same two  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 1d. *Before 1290*

Item Alicia filia Roberti Kyng de Glinton dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peichirche unam acram et unam rodam terre iacentes in campis de Wytherington in *Lantopithegg*; una dimidia acra iacet iuxta terram abbatis, et abuttat in orientali parte super uiam uersus (austrum<sup>e</sup>) Marham et in alia parte uersus occidentem super diuisam uersus Wodecroft; et dimidia acra iuxta terram Ricardi de Helpiston, et abuttat super culturam abbatis uersus occidentem et extendit ultra uiam uersus Marham; et una roda iacet forera iuxta uiam uersus Marham et abuttat in ambobus capitibus super predictas dimidias acras terre; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus unum denarium ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omni seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>1</sup> Possibly an error for Geoffrey. The property may be the  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre which Geoffrey son of Isolda sold to Richard son of Mary as part of an exchange, and which his widow claimed as part of her dowry and subsequently quit-claimed to Richard in no. 314; or it might be the 2 roods (=  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre) quit-claimed in the same document. It is possible, however, that the exchange referred to is that described in no. 310, and Geoffrey son of Isolda is to be identified with Geoffrey son of Geoffrey.

312. Grant and quit-claim by Richard son of Roger Launcelin of Ufford to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk, his heirs and assigns, of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable and 1 acre of meadow, which the recipient and his predecessors once held of the grantor and his predecessors as a frank-marriage portion, to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 6d. (a confirmation of no. 316). *Before 1290*

Item Ricardus filius Rogeri Launcelene de Ufford concessit et quietas clamavit Ricardo filio Marie de Psychirche, heredibus suis et assignatis, duas acras et dimidiam terre et unam acram prati—illas scilicet quas ipse et antecessores sui in liberum maritagium quondam de se et de antecessoribus suis tenuerunt; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis vj denarios die Sancti Thome Apostoli pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

313. Grant by Alice daughter of Robert Kyng of Glinton to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk of 1 acre and 1 rood in Werrington, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the abbot's land and the land of Richard Neil of Werrington, abutting to the east on the royal road from Glinton to Marholm and to the west on the *Grene at Launpitteshegg*<sup>1</sup>;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre between the land of Richard of Helpston and the land once held by Richard Adam, abutting to the west on the abbot's land and to the east beyond Marholm gate,<sup>2</sup> and 1 rood stretching along the royal road from Glinton to Marholm, abutting on the same  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres; to be held (as no. 311, of which this is a repetition with the boundaries somewhat differently described).<sup>2</sup> *Before 1290*

Item Alicia filia Roberti Kyng de Glinton dedit etc. Ricardo [f. 48<sup>v</sup>] filio Marie de Peichirche unam acram et unam rodam terre in campis de Wytherington, unde una dimidia acra iacet inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo et terram Ricardi Nel de Witherington, et capite orientali abutatur super regiam uiam que ducit de Glinton ad Marham et capite occidentali super le Grene ad Launpitteshegg<sup>3</sup>; et alia dimidia acra iacet inter terram Ricardi de Helpiston et terram quam Ricardus Adam quondam tenuit, et abutatur capite occidentali super terram domini abbatis de Burgo et capite orientali<sup>a</sup> ultra Marham gate; et est forera<sup>1</sup>; et una roda extendit se in longitudine iuxta regiam uiam que ducit de Glinton apud Marham et abutatur super predictas dimidias acras; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Petri pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

314. Quit-claim by Cecily widow of Geoffrey son of Isolda of Glinton to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk, his heirs and assigns, in free widowhood of her dowry<sup>3</sup> rights in 2 roods which her husband Geoffrey had sold to Richard, and in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre which Geoffrey had sold to Richard as part of an exchange (cf. nos. 309-10). *Probably late 13th century*

Item Cecilia quondam uxor Galfridi filii Ysoude de Glinton in libera uiduitate sua remisit et quietum clamavit Ricardo filio Marie de Psychirche, heredibus suis et assignatis, totum ius et clamium quod habuit in duabis rodīs terre quas Galfridus quondam uir suus eidem Ricardo uendidit, et in una dimidia acra terre quam dictus Galfridus quondam uir suus eidem dicto Ricardo uendidit in escambium, quod clamavit nomine dotis; tenendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

315. Confirmation and quit-claim without warranty by Hugh of Barnack of the sale made by his son Geoffrey to Geoffrey son of Helewise of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Peakirk, which he bought from William son of Ralph Restwald. *Mid 13th century*

<sup>a</sup> capite repeated here in MS.

<sup>1</sup> The text of no. 313 seems to make the second  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre the headland, whereas no. 311 gives this name to the rood. The latter is more likely, and it is possible that the text is transposed, and ought to read 'et una roda—et est forera—'.

<sup>2</sup> The two  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres are granted away in no. 320.

<sup>3</sup> 'quod clamavit nomine dotis' presumably applies to the whole document, not merely to the second  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre; this makes better sense, and enables 'quod' to agree with 'ius'.



Item Hugo de Bernak concessit et quietum clamavit Galfrido filio Helwiese uendicionem quam ei fecit Galfridus filius suus de una dimidia acra terre in Psychirche, quam emit a Willelmo filio Radulphi Restwald. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* A Hugh of Barnack died between 1243 and 1254 (P, p. 124 n.); he occurs with Geoffrey of Barnack before 1254 (P.R.O., E 328/6, m. 2). If this is the same man, the charter probably belongs to the first half of the century. Another Hugh of Barnack occurs between 1293 and 1321 (P, p. 125 n.; V2, ff. 38<sup>r</sup>, 47, 111).

316. Grant without warranty by Richard son of Launcelin<sup>1</sup> to Geoffrey, son of Helewise of Peakirk, his stepmother,<sup>2</sup> of 2½ acres of arable and 1 acre of meadow in Ashton (?),<sup>3</sup> which Helewise, Geoffrey's mother, had held in her lifetime from Richard's predecessors and from himself, as a frank-marriage portion; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 6d. (see no. 312). *Mid 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Launceleni concessit etc. Galfrido filio Helewis de Peichirche matertere sue duas acras et dimidiam terre et unam acram prati in Aston—illas scilicet quas Helewys mater predicti Galfridi in uita sua tenuit in libero maritagio [f. 49] de antecessoribus suis, et de se; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis sex denarios in die Sancti Thome apostoli pro omni seruicio. Sine warentia, sine data.

317. Grant by John son of William Freeman of Peakirk to Richard son of Mary of Peakirk and Alice: his wife of ½ acre in the West field of Glington lying on *Stapples*, between the land of Hugh Reyner of Glington on the north and of Ascelin son of Hugh on the south, abutting to the east on the land of Reginald Leman and to the west on the water-course at *Sadilbowe*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d. *Before 1290*

Item Johannes filius Willelmi Freman de Psychirche dedit etc. Ricardo filio Marie de Peichirche et Alicie uxori sue unam dimidiam acram terre in Westfeld de Glynton iacentem super Stapples, inter terram Hugonis Reynere de Glington ex parte aquilonari et terram Ascelini filii Hugonis ex parte australi, et extendit uersus orientem super terram Reginaldi Leman et uersus occidentem extendit se super deductum<sup>4</sup> aque apud Sadilbowe; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

318. Grant<sup>5</sup> by Mary widow of Geoffrey son of Helewise of Peakirk in free widowhood to Richard her son of 1 rood in Northborough, in the croft of Reginald Slo with Reginald's land on either side; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of ½d. (see no. 310).<sup>7</sup> *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Maria quondam uxor Galfridi filii Helewis de Peichirche dedit etc. in sua libera uiduitate Ricardo filio suo unam rodam terre iacentem in campis de Norburgo, scilicet in crofto Reginaldi Slo inter terram eiusdem Reginaldi

<sup>1</sup> His father's name was Roger Launcelin (see no. 312): either 'Rogeri' has fallen out of the text or 'Launceleni' is being used as a surname; either is possible.

<sup>2</sup> 'matertera' in Classical Latin meant a maternal aunt; but the fact that Helewise held her portion of the Launcelin family suggests either that Launcelin was her father or her father-in-law, rather than that she and Roger Launcelin's wife were sisters and coheirresses. For 'matertera' as 'stepmother' see G. C. Homans, *English Villagers of the Thirteenth Century* (Cambridge, Mass., 1942), p. 183.

<sup>3</sup> Probably Ashton in Bainton (P.N. Northants., p. 229).

<sup>4</sup> See no. 294.

<sup>5</sup> In the sense of 'course', i.e. a water-course; more normal would be 'ductum aque'. Cf. no. 300.

<sup>6</sup> Since it was without warranty it is possible that this was really a quit-claim.

<sup>7</sup> It is reasonably certain that this rood is the one exchanged by Richard son of Mary in no. 310, and this proves, what was highly probable on other grounds, that Richard's mother was the wife of Geoffrey son of Helewise; and since Richard was certainly one of Geoffrey's heirs (cf. nos. 312 and 316), Geoffrey was presumably his father. See note to no. 289.

ex utraque parte; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Omnium Sanctorum pro omni<sup>a</sup> seruicio. Sine warentia et sine data.

319. Grant by Hugh *cum barba* ('with the beard') son of Hugh *cum barba* of Northborough to Roger<sup>1</sup> son of Mary of Peakirk of 1 rood in Northborough on *Westberh*, between Roger's own land and that of the parson of Northborough, abutting to the east on Northborough *gate* and to the west on the land of Robert of Collingham; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . Before 1290

Item Hugo *cum barba* filius Hugonis *cum barba* de Norburgo dedit etc. Rogero filio Marie de Peichirche unam rodam terre iacentem in campo de Norburgo super *Westberh*, inter terram eiusdem Rogeri et terram persone de Norburgo, et extendit uersus orientem super Norburgate et uersus occidentem extendit se super terram Roberti de Colyngham; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

320. Grant by Richard son of Mary of Peakirk to Ralph son of Simon late reeve of Glinton of 1 acre in Werrington in a furlong called *Lampithegges*, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the land of Richard Neil to the north and the abbot's land on the south, abutting on the high-road to Marholm to the east; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the same furlong between the green lane to Stamford to the north and Richard Adam's land to the south, abutting on the abbot's land to the west; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1d. (see nos. 311, 313). Before 1290

Item Ricardus filius Marie de Peichirche dedit etc. Radulpho (filio) Simonis quondam prepositi de Glinton unam acram terre iacentem [*f. 49<sup>v</sup>*] in campo de Wytherington in una cultura que uocatur *Lampithegges*, unde dimidia acra iacet inter terram quondam Ricardi Neel uersus aquilonem et terram domini abbatis de Burgo uersus austrum, et abuttat super altam uiam que ducit apud Marham uersus orientem; et alia dimidia acra iacet in eadem cultura inter uiridem semitam que ducit apud Stanford uersus aquilonem et terram Ricardi Adam uersus australem, et abuttat super terram domini abbatis de Burgo uersus occidentem; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* No. 320 is the last of Richard son of Mary's and the first of Ralph son of Simon Reeve's charters, nos. 320-6. They all date from before 1290, but probably not long before. Ralph Reeve occurs not long before 1290 in nos. 202, 292, and here overlaps with Richard son of Mary. Robert Freeman (322, 324, 326) and Reginald Palmer (324, 326) occur elsewhere after 1290 (274); Laurence of Preston (323) succeeded after 1263, possibly in 1276 (P, p. 141 n.); William de *Meyl* (325) occurs late 13th century (105) and in 1298 (100). Other indications support a date well on in the century, save that Michael Wolwin (no. 325) and William Freeman (324) may occur in the middle of the century (277, 280).

321. Grant by Alexander of Glinton son of Roger Kyng of Peakirk to Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glinton, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton on the Clay, between the land of Matilda widow of Geoffrey Reeve on the south and of Hugh in the Pit on the north, abutting on the Brook on the west and on the same Matilda's land on the east; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . Before 1290

Item Alexander de Glinton filius Rogeri Kyng de Psychirche dedit etc. Radulpho filio Simonis prepositi de Glinton et heredibus suis siue assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Glinton super le Cley, inter terram Matilde quondam uxoris Galfridi prepositi ex parte australi et terram Hugonis in le Pyth ex parte aquilonari, et unum capud extendit super

<sup>a</sup> pro omnibus seruicio MS.

<sup>1</sup> See no. 272 and note to no. 289.

le Brok ex parte occidentali et aliud capud extendit super terram dicte Matilde ex parte orientali; habendam de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

322. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glington to Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glington, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in Woodcroft between the land of Geoffrey Chatweyt of Woodcroft on the east and of Isabel le Weuur (? Weaver) on the west, abutting on the land of the parson of Helpston to the south and on the headland of Hugh Purcate of Etton on the north; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glington in *Haweyorforlong* between the land of the same Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glington on the south and of Simon atte Cross of Glington on the north, abutting on the royal road between Werrington and Glington on the west and at the other end on the headland of Hugh atte Cross; to be held of Robert and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns of 1d. Before 1290

Item Robertus le Freman de Glington dedit etc. Radulpho filio Simonis prepositi de Glington et heredibus suis siue assignatis unam acram terre, cuius una dimidia acra iacet in campo de Wodecroft inter terram Galfridi Chatweyt de Wodecroft ex parte orientali et terram Isabelle le Weuur ex parte occidentali, et capitat super terram persone de Helpiston uersus austrum et in alio capite extendit se super foreram Hugonis Purcate de Etton uersus aquilonem; et una dimidia acra iacet in campis de Glington in *Haweyorforlong* inter terram dicti [f. 50] Radulphi filii Simonis prepositi de G(linton) ex parte australi et terram Symonis ad crucem de G(linton) ex parte aquilonari, et uno capite abuttat super regiam uiam que extendit se inter Wetherington et Glington ex parte occidentali et in alio capite extendit se super foreram Hugonis ad crucem; habendam de dicto Roberto et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

323. Grant by Margaret daughter of Ralph, widow of William of Elmet (?), in free widowhood, to Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glington, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre (see note a) and 1 rood in Woodcroft, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre is called *Cappidalneacre* and lies between the land of Geoffrey Hayelard of Woodcroft and of Simon Jurdaun, abutting on the road between Etton and Woodcroft; and 1 rood lies in *Sortebuttys* between the land of William of Blundeston (see no. 300) and of Geoffrey Reeve of Glington, abutting on the land of Laurence of Preston<sup>1</sup> to the east; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 1½d. for all service save forinsec service to the king; the rent to be doubled for relief. Before 1290

Item Margareta filia Radulphi quondam uxor Willelmi de Elmede in sua libera uiduitate dedit etc. Radulpho filio Simonis prepositi de Glington et heredibus suis siue assignatis unam acram<sup>a</sup> et unam rodam terre iacentes in campo de Wodecroft, quarum una dimidia acra uocatur *Cappidalneacre*, iacens<sup>b</sup> in(ter) terram Galfridi Hayelard de Wodecroft ex una parte et terram Simonis Jurdaun ex altera, et abuttat super uiam que se extendit inter Etton et Wodecroft; et una roda iacet in *Sortebuttys* inter terram Willelmi de Blundesdon ex una parte et terram Galfridi prepositi de G(linton) ex altera, et abuttat super terram Laurencii de Preston in parte orientali; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis siue assignatis unum denarium et unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio, saluo forinseco seruicio domini regis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia, sine data.

<sup>a</sup> Details are given only of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and 1 rood: perhaps we should read unam dimidiam acram.

<sup>b</sup> iacent' MS.

<sup>1</sup> See note to no. 320.

324. Grant by Robert son of Ralph Freeman of Glinton to Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glinton of 1 acre in Glinton, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies at *Edwynsthorpe*<sup>1</sup> between the land of William son of Lucy<sup>2</sup> and of John son of Robert, abutting on the headland then Reginald Palmer's to the east and on the (headland (?)) of William Freeman of Peakirk to the west; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at *Forthende* between the land of William Alred and of Robert on the Hill, abutting on the royal road to the south and on the meadow of Basilia Cruth to the north; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 1d., doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Robertus filius Radulphi le Fraunchumme de Glinton dedit etc. Radulpho filio Simonis prepositi de Gl(inton) unam acram terre in campis de Glinton, cuius una dimidia acra iacet apud Edwynsthorpe inter terram Willelmi filii Lucie et terram Johannis filii Roberti, et abuttat ad unum capud super foreram tunc Reginaldi Palmer uersus orientem et aliud capud<sup>3</sup> Willelmi Fraunchumme de Psychyrche uersus occidentem; et una dimidia acra iacet atte Forthende inter terram Willelmi Alred et terram Roberti super Hil, et abuttat [*f. 50<sup>o</sup>*] ad unum capud super regiam uiam uersus australem et aliud capud super pratum Basilie Cruth uersus borialem; habendam de se et de heredibus, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis siue assignatis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data.

325. Grant by William son of Ralph de Menyl<sup>3</sup> of Thorpe (probably Longthorpe) to Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glinton of 3 acres in Glinton, of which 1 acre lies on *Bonecroft* by the land of Michael Wolwin; 1 acre on *Snype* by the land of Basilia atte Green, abutting on the land of Stephen of Stoke;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre by the royal road to Stamford; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre on *Holdefeld*, abutting on the Brook; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 1 lb. of cumin and 1 pair of white gloves worth 1d. *Before 1290*

Item Willelmus filius Radulphi de Menyl in Thorpe dedit etc. Radulpho filio Simonis prepositi de Glinton tres acras terre iacentes in campis de Glinton, quarum una acra iacet super Bonecroft iuxta terram Michaelis Wolewyne; una acra super Snype iuxta terram Basilie atte Grene, et abuttat super terram Stephani de Stok; una dimidia acra iuxta regiam uiam que ducit uersus Staunforde; et una dimidia acra super Holdefeld, et abuttat super le Brok; habendas de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam libram cimini et unum par albarum cerotecarum precii unius denarii ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

326. Grant by Robert Freeman of Glinton to Ralph son of Simon Reeve of Glinton of 1 acre in Glinton on the *Stapples*, between the land of Reginald Palmer and of Hugh Reyner, abutting to the west on the Brook; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 1d., doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

Item Robertus le Freman de Glinton dedit etc. Radulpho filio Simonis prepositi de Glinton unam acram terre in campis de Glinton iacentem super le Stapples, inter terram Reginaldi Palmer et terram Hugonis Reyner, et abuttat uersus occidentem super le Brok; habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>\*</sup> sic: some words may be missing.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. nos. 294 ('Bedwynethorn') and 297 ('Dedwynethorn'). 'Edwin's thorn' seems the most rational interpretation.

<sup>2</sup> Possibly son of Lucy of Peakirk, wife of Michael le Herice (cf. no. 294).

<sup>3</sup> A William de Menyl is mentioned in 1298 (no. 100).

327. Quit-claim by Maud widow of William son of Audelin of Marholm to William Kyng of Glinton of her life interest in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow (as the second and third parcels in no. 304)—from her dowry; as marriage portion for her daughter Beatrice, to be held by (William and his heirs) by Beatrice.<sup>1</sup> *Probably mid 13th century*

Item Maud quondam uxor Willelmi filii Audelin de Marham dedit Willelmo Kyng de Glinton et quietam clamauit in tota uita sua unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Glynton, inter terram Roberti filii Audelin de Marham et terram Walteri clerici de Glinton, et abuttat ad unum capud super Marham dyk [f. 51] et in alio capite super foreram domini abbatis de Burgo; et unam dimidiam acram prati in Stonilond inter pratum domini abbatis de Burgo et pratum Willelmi de Glinton, que abuttat super riuulum de Norburgo et in alio capite super terram Simonis filii Wolwini de Glinton, de dote sua; cum Beatrice filia sua, habend' . . . ex predicta filia sua genit(is). Sine warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Contemporary with no. 303: 303 and 327 confirm 304.

328. Grant by Gilbert Mason of Helpston to Simon son of Wolwin of Glinton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Westing*, between the meadow of John of Thurlby and of Guy of Maxey, abutting on the meadow of Payne Launcelin (or Launcelina); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  of free geld. *Probably mid 13th century*

Item Gilbertus cementarius de Helpiston dedit etc. Simoni filio Wolwini de Glinton unam dimidiam acram prati in *Westing*, iacentem inter pratum Johannis de Thurleby et pratum Wydonis de Makeseye, et capitat super pratum Pagani Launcelene; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum (denarium<sup>e</sup>) obolum de libera wara die Sancti Petri ad uincula pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290. For Simon son of Wolwin see nos. 304, 327, and possibly 177.

329. Grant by William Alred of Glinton to Roger Rose of Glinton of 3 roods of meadow in the meadow of Northborough in a place called *Leyes*, between the meadow of Elicia widow of Glinton on the east and of Richard of Stow of Northborough on the west, abutting at one end on the meadow of Geoffrey Lefsi of Glinton and at the other on Northborough *poles* (pools); to be held of the chief lord for the service due. *After 1290*

Item Willelmus Alred de Glinton dedit etc. Rogero Rose de Glinton tres rodas prati iacentes in prato de Norburgo in quodam loco qui uocatur *Leyes*, inter pratum Elicie uidue de Glinton ex parte orientali et pratum Ricardi de Stowe de Norburgo ex parte occidentali, et unum capud abuttat super pratum Galfridi Lefsy de Glinton et aliud capud abuttat super Norburg *poles*; tenendas de capitali domino, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Not long after 1290: William Alred and Roger Rose occur elsewhere before 1290 (nos. 246, 324, 260). William was presumably the son of Alred of Shillington and is probably disposing in this charter of the land acquired by his father in the next. No. 330 probably belongs to the middle of the century.

330. Grant by Ralph Greyeye of Northborough to Alred of Shillington of 3 roods of meadow, in the meadow called *Guherundel* on *Brokforlong*, between the meadow of Geoffrey of Stow and of Walter son of Lefsi of Glinton, abutting to the south on Northborough *pole* (pool) and to the north on the headland of Walter son of Lefsi of Glinton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  *Probably mid 13th century*

Item Radulphus Greyeye de Nortburgo dedit etc. Alredo de Shitlindon unam trirodas prati iacentem in prato quod uocatur *Guherundel* super

<sup>1</sup> Some words seem to be missing; but this must give the sense.

Brokforlong, inter pratum Galfridi de Stowe et pratum Walteri filii Lefsi<sup>a</sup> de Glinton, cuius capud australe abuttat super Norburg pole et capud boriale abuttat super foreram Walteri filii Lefsi<sup>a</sup> de Glinton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum die Sancti Petri ad uincula pro omni seruicio. [*f. 51<sup>v</sup>*] Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For Ralph Greyeye and Walter son of Lefsi see nos. 284 and 285 (cf. note to 283); the latter occurs in the Surveys. A slightly later date is not impossible.

331. Grant by Richard son of John of the *Beche* and Agnes his wife to Geoffrey le Westerne of Glinton, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre between Glinton and Peakirk on *Manslant*, with the land of William son of Lucy of Peakirk on one side . . . , abutting to the north on the meadow of Robert son of Ralph and to the south on the headland once held by Michael Wolwin of Glinton; to be held of the same William,<sup>1</sup> his heirs and assigns.

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Johannis de la Beche et Agnes uxor sua dederunt etc. Galfrido le Westerne de Glinton, et heredibus suis siue assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo inter Glinton et Peichirche super Manslant, inter terram Willelmi filii Lucie de Psychyrche ex parte una,<sup>b</sup> et abuttat uersus aquilonem super pratum Roberti filii Radulphi et in alio capite abuttat uersus australem super foreram quondam Michaelis Wolewyn de eadem; tenendam de dicto Willelmo<sup>1</sup> et de heredibus suis siue assignatis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 331-5 represent the acquisitions of Geoffrey le Westerne and his son William. They are difficult to date, both because none of them has a perfectly clear subinfeudation clause, and because the evidence is conflicting. The recipient of 331 was presumably the father of the recipient of 332-5. But William son of Lucy and the late Michael Wolwin suggest a date late in the century for 331 (cf. nos. 324, 277), while William son of Geoffrey le Westerne occurs in a charter which one would otherwise date to the middle of the century (no. 285, cf. note to 283). Walter Knotte and Hugh in the Pit suggest a late date for 332; a date in the second half of the 13th century, perhaps towards the end, is confirmed for 334-5 by Geoffrey son of Geoffrey son of Durand (see no. 306). In spite of the corruption to their text, nos. 331-2 are almost certainly, the others probably, pre-1290. Ignoring the evidence of no. 285 it would seem clear that Geoffrey le Westerne was succeeded by his son William not long before 1290; but they may have held property concurrently, so that it is possible to allow for no. 285 being somewhat earlier (for a later Westerne, see no. 288).

332. Grant by Robert son of Ralph of Glinton to William le Westerne of Glinton, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Glinton, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in the *Dale* between the land of Walter Knotte on the east and of Hugh atte Cross on the west, abutting to the south on the headland of Christiana Kyng of Peakirk; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at *Wolewenebrigg* between the land of Thomas Chot on the west . . . (see n. c), abutting to the south on the land of Hugh in the Pit and to the north on the Brook; to be held of Ralph,<sup>2</sup> his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 1d. for all service save forinsec service to the king. *Late 13th century*

Item Robertus filius Radulphi de Glinton dedit etc. Willelmo le Westerne de Glinton et heredibus suis siue assignatis unam acram terre iacentem in campis de Glinton, uidelicet una dimidia acra iacet in le Dale inter terram Walteri Knotte ex parte orientali et terram Hugonis ad crucem ex parte occidentali, et unum capud extendit se super foreram Cristiane Kyng de Psychyrche ex parte australi; et una dimidia acra iacet a le Wolewenebrigg inter<sup>c</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Lessi MS.

<sup>b</sup> *The pars altera is missing.*

<sup>c</sup> *Possibly for iuxta, or the 'other side' is missing.*

<sup>1</sup> Presumably a mistake for 'Ricardo', 'Richard', unless the grantor's name has been wrongly given. A William of the *Beche* occurs in no. 253; but his wife is there called Arnice.

<sup>2</sup> The scribe's second try, and still apparently wrong; he has presumably named the grantor's father instead of the grantor.

terram Thome Chot ex parte occidentali, et unum (capud) extendit se super terram Hugonis in le Pyt ex parte australi, et aliud capud extendit se super le Brok ex parte boriali; tenendam de dicto (Willelmo<sup>e</sup>) Radulpho et de heredibus suis siue assignatis suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis siue assignatis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio, saluo forinseco seruicio domini regis. Cum warentia et sine data.

333. Grant by Henry son of Sander (Alexander) of Peakirk to William son of Geoffrey le Westerne of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre, called a headland, lying between the fields of Werrington and Peakirk, abutting to the west on land once held by Walter atte Cross of Werrington and to the east on the land of Hugh of *Strete*; to be held for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  to the altar of Holy Cross in the church of Peakirk. *Late 13th century*

Item Henricus filius Sandri de Psychyrche dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi le Westerne de Psychyrche unam dimidiam acram terre que uocatur forera, et iacet inter campos de Witherington et Psychyrche, unde unum capud abuttat super terram quondam Walteri ad le Cros de Wytherington uersus occidentem et alterum super terram Hugonis of Strete uersus orientem; habendam etc., [f. 52] reddendo inde annuatim Deo et altari Sancte Crucis in ecclesia de Peichirche unum obolum in die Omnium Sanctorum pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

334. Grant by Geoffrey son of Geoffrey Durand of Glinton to William son of Geoffrey le Westerne of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Etton, between the land of Hugh son of Reginald Bon and his own land, abutting to the south on the royal road to Stamford and at the other end on land once Payne of Helpston's; to be held of the altar of St. Stephen in the church of Etton. *Late 13th century*

Item Galfridus filius Galf(r)idi Duraunt de Glinton dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi le Westerne de Peichirche unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis de Etton, inter terram Hugonis filii Reginaldi Bon ex una parte et terram suam ex altera, unde unum capud abuttat super regiam uiam que ducit apud Staunford uersus austrum et alterum super terram quondam Pagani de Helpiston; tenendam de Deo et altare Sancti Stephani in ecclesia de Etton pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

335. Grant by Geoffrey son of Geoffrey son of Durand of Glinton to William le Westerne of Glinton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Etton, lying next the land once held by Reginald Corner<sup>1</sup> of Etton to the east, abutting to the south on the road to Stamford and to the north on land once Payne of Helpston's; for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  on the altar of St. Stephen in the church of Etton. *Late 13th century*

Item Galfridus filius Galfridi filii Durandi de Glinton dedit etc. Willelmo le Westerne de Glinton unam dimidiam acram terre in territorio de Etton, que iacet proximior<sup>a</sup> terre quondam Reginaldi cornifer de Etton ex parte orientali, cuius capud australe lanceat super stratam uersus Staunford et capud boriale super terram quondam Pagani de Helpiston; reddendo inde annuatim scilicet die Sancti Stephani super altare Sancti Stephani in ecclesia de Etton unum quadrantem pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

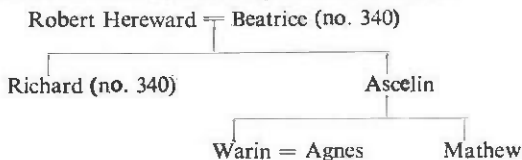
336. Grant by Mathew Hereward of Peakirk to Elias son of Robert of Langtoft and Christiana his wife, and their heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton in *Derecroft*, by the land of Geoffrey Prodome (Prudhomme) on the west and of John Gretton on the east, abutting on the abbot's land to the north and on Richer of Kendal's to the south; to be held of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *After 1290*

<sup>a</sup> proximiori MS.

<sup>1</sup> Or Horner (i.e. horn-blower); but Corner seems to have been the normal medieval version of the name.

Item Matheus Hereward de Psychyrche dedit etc. Eie filio Roberti de Langetoft et Christiane uxori sue et eorum heredibus unam dimidiam acram terre in teritorio de Glinton iacentem in Derecroft, iuxta terram Galfridi Prodome ex parte occidentali et terram Johannis Greton ex parte orientali, et abuttat super terram domini abbatis de Burgo uersus boream et super terram Richeri de Kendale uersus meridiem; habendam de capitali domino, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino [*f. 52<sup>v</sup>*] unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando seruicium pro releuo. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 336 and 347 have the same parties, and both are later than 1290. But no. 347 reveals that Mathew was the son of Ascelin Hereward, which suggests that he was brother of the donor of nos. 289, 294, who occurs before 1290. Of other persons named in 347, Alice atte Cross occurs after 1290 (no. 275). Elias atte Green shortly before 1290 (no. 260), Richer of Kendal in 1283 (Nassaburgh Hundred Court Roll; his son in 1302, V2, f. 48<sup>v</sup>). Mathew Hereward also occurs in no. 342, and his ancestors in no. 340. From these charters and nos. 289, 294, and 297 we can reconstruct the following tentative pedigree:



337. Grant by Walter son of Lefsi of Glinton, with the assent of Robert his son and heir, to Michael son of Reginald le Herice of Peakirk of 1 rood in Glinton, extending from Bradgate to Benelonid, lying between the land of Geoffrey son of Durand and of Michael son of Wolwin; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Walterus filius Lefsi de Glinton dedit etc., assensu Roberti filii sui et heredis, Michaeli filio Reginaldi le Heryze de Psychyrche pro seruicio suo unam rodam terre in campo de Glinton, scilicet illam rodam que se extendit a Bradgate abuttans super Benelonid, et iacet inter terram Galfridi filii Duraunt et terram Michaelis filii Wolwini; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The parties are the same as in no. 285 (and cf. notes to 283, 331).

338. Quit-claim by Agnes widow of William son of Ralph of Northborough in free widowhood to Michael le Herice of Peakirk, his heirs and assigns, of her dowry rights in one-third of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres<sup>1</sup> of meadow in Stokfurlong, which Michael held of her late husband and his heirs.

*Probably before 1290*

Item Agnes relicta quondam Willelmi filii Radulphi in Norburgo in libera sua uiduitate remisit et quietum clamauit Michaeli le Herice de Psychirche, et heredibus suis siue assignatis, totum ius et clamium suum quod habuit nomine dotis in tercia parte unius acre et dimidie prati in Stokfurlong, quod dictus Michael tenet de dicto Willelmo filio Radulphi quondam uiro suo et de heredibus suis; tenendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Presumably not early in the career of Michael le Herice, for which cf. no. 277; he probably died before 1290.

339. Lease<sup>2</sup> for four years from 2 February 1291/2 by William son of Thomas of South-orpe<sup>3</sup> to John Cok of Market Deeping and Adelina his wife, of 3 roods of meadow in the

<sup>1</sup> i.e.  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre; but probably this means  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a particular plot, whose total extent was  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres.

<sup>2</sup> 'ad firmam tradidit' implies that this is a lease, not a demise—i.e. that a rent was charged—although no rent is specified.

<sup>3</sup> See P, pp. 70-71 nn.



east meadow of Maxey and  $\frac{2}{3}$  of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre<sup>1</sup> in the South meadow, which was once William Gilliot's and is in the holding which he has of Geoffrey de la Mare. c. 1291-2

Item Willelmus filius domini Thome de Swythorp dimisit et ad firmam tradidit etc. Johanni Cok de Estdepyng et Adeline uxori sue unam trirodam prati iacentem in prato orientali de Makeseye et duas partes unius dimidie acre iacentes in prato australi, uidelicet illud pratum quod quondam fuit Willelmi Gilliot et est de custodia sua, quam habet de Galfrido de la Mare; habendas a festo Purificationis Beate Marie anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo usque ad terminum quatuor annorum proxime sequentium plene completorum. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The grantor's father died in 1274 (P, p. 70 n.). Geoffrey de la Mare must be Geoffrey IV, lord of the Northborough fee (with land in Maxey, Northborough, Woodcroft, and elsewhere), whose father was drowned in 1282, and who did homage for his lands in 1290. He died in 1327 (P, p. 40 n.). 20 Edward II (which in any case did not last into February) and 20 Edward III would be too late for the grantor, the latter too late for the collection, even though there was another Geoffrey de la Mare extant at that time.

340. Grant by Beatrice widow of Robert Hereward in free widowhood, with the assent of Richard her son and heir, to Ascelin her son and his heirs of one part (or one third) of her toft in Glinton, 6 perches broad and 7 long; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of 4d. *Probably mid 13th century.*

Item Beatrix quondam uxor Roberti Hereward in sua libera uiduitate dedit etc., assensu Ricardi filii et heredis sui, Ascelino filio suo et heredibus suis unam partem tofti sui in Glinton, uidelicet sex perticas in latitudine et septem in longitudine; [f. 53] tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis quatuor denarios ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. note to no. 336: the grantor's grandchildren flourished towards the end of the century. Her late husband may have been the Robert Hereward who occurs in 1214-22 (N, ff. 177<sup>v</sup> ff.).

341. Quit-claim by Lettice widow of Simon son of Richard in free widowhood to Richard her son of one-third of a headland of 3 roods in the West field of Maxey, abutting on the almoner's land to the north and on the royal road to the south, which pertained to her as dowry out of the free holding of her husband Simon.

Item Leticia relicta Simonis filii Ricardi in pura uiduitate sua concessit et quietam clamauit Ricardo filio suo totam terciam partem unius trirode iacentis in campo occidentali de Makeseye, que quidem tercia pars contingebat se<sup>a</sup> de libero tenemento dicti Simonis uiri sui de dote, que triroda est forera, et iacet abuttando super terram elemosinarii de Burgo Sancti Petri capite boriali et super uiam regiam capite australi; habendam etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

342. Quit-claim by Juliana daughter of Walter son of Lefsi of Glinton to Mathew son of Ascelin Hereward of Peakirk of her rights in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton, between the land of Alice atte Cross of Glinton and of Elicia widow of Simon son of the reeve of Glinton, abutting at one end on the royal road to Northborough and at the other on the land of Elias atte Green of Glinton. *Late 13th century*

Item Juliana filia Walteri filii Lefsi de Glinton dedit etc. et quietum clamauit Matheo filio Ascelini Hereward de Psychirche totum ius et clamium quod habuit in una dimidia acra terre iacente in campis de Glinton, inter terram Alicie ad crucem de Glinton ex una parte et terram Elicie quondam uxoris

<sup>a</sup> sic MS., ? for sibi.

<sup>1</sup> i.e.  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre: cf. note to no. 338.

Simonis filii prepositi de Glinton ex altera, et abuttat unum capud super uiam regiam per quam itur uersus Norburgum et alterum capud super terram Elye al Grene de Glinton. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably contemporary with, or shortly before, no. 347, in which Mathew Hereward grants the property away, and which describes it in identical terms with identical neighbours.

343. Grant by — son of Durand of Glinton, with the assent of Matilda his wife, to Michael son of Reginald le Herice of Peakirk of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Etton, between the land of Robert his son and of the parson of Etton, abutting at one end on the headland of Gilbert on the Hill of Peakirk and at the other on the land of Richard son of Hawise of Etton; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  for the support of a light before the altar of St. Mary in the church of All Saints, Peakirk. *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Matild<sup>a</sup> fil<sup>i</sup> Durant de Glinton, assensu Matilde uxoris sue, dedit etc. Michaeli filio Reginaldi le Herice de Psychirche unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de Etton, illam scilicet dimidiam acram que iacet inter terram Roberti filii sui et terram persone de Etton, abuttantem in uno capite super foreram Gilberti super le Hyl de Peichirche et in alio capite super terram Ricardi filii Hauisie de Etton; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde ad sustentacionem luminis coram altare beate Marie in ecclesia Omnium Sanctorum de Psychyrche unum obolum die Sancti Petri ad uincula pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. nos. 277, 306.

344. Quit-claim by Rose widow of Richard of Scotendon in free widowhood to Michael le Herice of Peakirk, his heirs and assigns, of her dowry rights in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow in Westingg<sup>r</sup>, which Michael held of her husband and his heirs. *After 1270*

[f. 53<sup>v</sup>] Item Rosa quondam uxor Ricardi de Scotindon in libera uiduitate sua concessit et quietum clamauit Michaeli le Herice de Psychyrche et heredibus suis siue assignatis, totum ius et clamium quod habuit nomine dotis in tercia parte unius acre prati iacentis in Westingg<sup>r</sup>, quod dictus Michael tenet de Ricardo de Scotindon quondam uiro suo et de heredibus suis; habendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See no. 281: the donor occurs in 1271, her husband in 1270.

345. Grant by Richard son of Hawise of Etton to Michael le Herice of Peakirk and Lucy his wife of 1 rood in the East field of Etton, between the land of Stephen of Stoke and of Walter son of Richard Danay of Peakirk, abutting to the west on the courtyard of Walter Caubel; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual payment of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  of free geld. *Mid or late 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Auicie de Etton dedit etc. Michaeli le Herice de Psychyrche et Lucie uxori sue unam rodam terre iacentem in campo orientali de Etton, inter terram Stephani de Stok et terram Walteri filii Ricardi Danney de Psychirche, et capitat uersus occidentem super curiam Walteri Caubel; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha nomine libere ware pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. nos. 277, 343.

346. Grant by Robert son of Ralph of Glinton to Geoffrey Smith of 3 roods in Glinton, between the land of Reginald Leman to the south and of William son of Beda (*sic*) to the north, abutting to the east on Bradegate and to the west on the land of Hugh Reyner; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 1*d.*, doubled for relief. *Before 1290*

<sup>a</sup> sic MS., for Matilda's husband's name. Cf. note to no. 306.

Item Robertus filius Radulphi de Glinton dedit etc. Galfrido fabro tres rodas terre in campis de Glinton iacentes inter terram Reginaldi Leman uersus austrum et terram Willelmi filii Bede uersus aquilonem, et abuttat (*sic*) in capite orientali super Bradegate et in capite occidentali super terram Hugonis Reyner; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, et duplicando redditum pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably not long before 1290: the grantor occurs late in the century (no. 332), Hugh Reyner shortly before 1290 (no. 260), and Reginald Leman after 1290 (no. 309).

347. Grant by Mathew son of Ascelin Hereward of Peakirk to Elias of Langtoft and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glinton, between the land of Alice atte Cross and of Elicia widow of Simon Reeve of Glinton, abutting to the west on the road to Northborough and to the east on the land of Elias atte Green of Glinton; to be held of the lord of the fee for an annual payment to the altar of the church of Glinton of  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  (see no. 342). *After 1290*

Item Mattheus filius Ascelini Hereward de Peychyrche dedit etc. Elie de Langetoft et heredibus suis unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Glinton, inter terram Alicie ad crucem ex una parte et terram Elicie quondam uxoris Simonis prepositi de Glinton ex altera, cuius capud occidentale abuttat super uiam qua itur uersus Norburgum et capud orientale super terram Elie atte Grene [*f.* 54] de Glynton; tenendam de domino feodi pro seruicio unius oboli per annum ad festum Translacionis Sancti (Thome<sup>c</sup>) Benedicti, soluendi<sup>a</sup> altari ecclesie de Glinton pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. nos. 336, 342.

348. Confirmation by Richard son of Richard of Scotendon to Michael le Herice son of Reginald le Herice and Lucy his wife of Peakirk of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable and 2 acres of meadow in Glinton, of which Michael and Lucy obtained  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable and 1 acre of meadow by grant of Hugh son of William Kyng, and 1 acre of meadow by grant of Adam of Bolingbroke, tanner, of Peterborough (see nos. 281-2); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $5\frac{1}{2}d.$ , doubled for relief. *Before 1271*

Item Ricardus filius Ricardi de Scotindon concessit et confirmauit Michaeli le Herice filio Reginaldi le Herice et Lucie uxori sue de Peichirche duas acras et dimidiam terre et duas acras prati in campo et prato de Glinton, unde predicti Michael et Lucia optinuerunt duas acras et dimidiam terre et unam acram prati de dono Hugonis filii Willelmi Kyng, et unam acram prati optinuerunt predicti Michael et Lucia de dono Ade de Bulingbrok tannatoris in Burgo; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis quincque denarios et obolum ad duos anni terminos, uidelicet in festo apostolorum Petri et Pauli<sup>b</sup> pro omni seruicio, et duplicabunt sibi et heredibus suis seruicium debitum pro releuio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* See no. 281: 348 is slightly later than 281-2.

349. Quit-claim by Robert son of Martin of Maxey to Michael le Herice of Peakirk of 1*d.* of annual rent, which he had received from Michael for 1 acre in the East field of Etton by the land of Robert Lefsi, abutting to the east on the land of the parson of Peakirk.

*Mid or late 13th century*

Item Robertus filius Martini de Makeseye remisit et quietum clamauit Michaeli le Herice de Peichirche unum denarium anui redditus, quem ab ipso solebat singulis annis percipere ad festum Sancti Michaelis, pro una acra terre iacente in campo orientali de Etton iuxta terram Roberti Lefsy, et

<sup>a</sup> soluendum MS.

<sup>b</sup> The other term is lost.

extendit uersus orientem super terram persone de Psychirche; tenendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Cf. no. 277; for Robert Lefsi, nos. 337, 281.

350. Grant by Simon son of Richard of Maxey to Simon junior, his son, of 1 toft with croft in the vill(age) of Maxey and 3 roods of arable; the toft lies between the toft of William de Coleuill and the toft of the fee of Geoffrey de la Mare, abutting on the croft of Simon son of Maurice to the west and on the lane to the east; the 3 roods lie between the land of John son of Laurence of Nunton<sup>1</sup> and the land of the prior of Deeping,<sup>2</sup> abutting on the headland of Ralph Hog to the north and on the royal road to the south; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1*d.*, and 1*d.* to Nicholas son of Geoffrey and his heirs.

*Probably late 13th century*

Item Simon filius Ricardi de Makesey dedit etc. Simoni iuniori filio suo unum toftum cum crofto in uilla de Makesey iacens, et unam trirodam terre, uidelicet illud toftum quod iacet inter toftum Willelmi de Coleuill et toftum de feodo Galfridi de la Mar' et capitat super croftum Simonis filii Mauricii uersus occidentem et super semitam uersus orientem; et una triroda (*sic*) terre que iacet inter terram Johannis filii Laurencii de Nunton [*f. 54<sup>v</sup>*] et terram prioris de Depying, et capitat super foreram Radulphi Hog uersus aquilonem et super regiam uiam uersus austrum; habenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum denarium die Sancti Egilii,<sup>a</sup> et Nicholao filio Galfridi et heredibus suis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* A William de Coleuill occurs before 1274 (V2, f. 38), in 1284, and 1290 (ChP, pp. 77, 145-6). Four men called Geoffrey de la Mare held the fee of Northborough between 1144 and 1290, the last possible date for this charter; but even though it was held by Peter (drowned 1282) for a part of the late 13th century, the fee might have been identified by the familiar name of Geoffrey (see P, p. 40 n.).

351.<sup>b</sup> Grant without warranty by Geoffrey of Glington to Matilda daughter of William of 1 toft in Glington by the well and 1 acre of land, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre (abuts?) to the west on Mowesacr' and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre (lies) in Derescroft; to be freely held by Matilda and her heirs of Geoffrey and his heirs for an annual rent of 4*d.*

Item Galfridus de Glynton dedit etc. Matilde filie Willelmi unum toftum in Glynton iuxta fontem et unam acram terre, scilicet dimidiam acram uersus occidentem super Mowesacr' et dimidiam acram in Derescroft; tenenda libere sibi et heredibus de se et heredibus, reddendo iii*d.* ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Sine warentia et sine data. (Fr' ma'.<sup>i</sup>) [*ff. 55-56<sup>v</sup> blank.*]

*Date.* Before 1290; and the absence of warranty suggests an early date. The grantor might be father of the grantor of no. 293 or the Geoffrey Reeve of no. 323, but there is no evidence to support either identification.

## [VI] [*f. 57*] CARTE NATIVORUM DE CASTRE

### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF CASTOR)

352. Lease indented for the lives of both the lessees by John atte Cross of Castor and Matilda his wife to Reginald son of Walter atte Lane (Lanesend) of Castor and Edith his wife of a messuage with courtyard and buildings in the vill(age) of Castor, lying between the messuage of Richard Mason and his own messuage; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 10*d.* to himself, his heirs and assigns. 1293-4

<sup>a</sup> sic MS.; for Egidii (*Giles, 1 Sept.*) or, more probably Eligii (25 June).

<sup>b</sup> Added subsequently in MS.

<sup>1</sup> Now represented by Nunton Lodge in Maxey (*P.N. Northants.*, p. 239).

<sup>2</sup> Deeping St. James was a small cell of Thorney Abbey.

Item Johannes ad crucem de Castre et Matilda uxor sua dederunt etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri ad uenellam de Castre et Ede uxori sue unum mesuagium cum curtilagio et cum edificiis in uilla de Castre, in longitudine et in latitudine prout semper iacuit, sicut situm est inter mesuagium Ricardi cementarii ex una parte et mesuagium suum ex altera; tenendum de illis et de heredibus suis usque ad terminum uite eorum, quam diucius uixerint, reddendo inde annuatim illis uel heredibus suis uel assignatis quinque denarios ad festum Sancti Michaelis et quinque denarios ad festum Pasche pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, data per indenturam apud Castre anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo secundo. (et Willelmus Waryni.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 352-9 represent the acquisitions of Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend. The dated charters vary from 22 King Edward (352) to 33 King Edward (356). The king must be Edward I: Edward II's reign ended in its 20th year and dates ranging from 1348-9 to 1359 are too late for the collection. Moreover, nos. 353, 355, and 359 are probably earlier than 1290. John atte Cross occurs in nos. 352, 354, 358, 363-5.

353. Grant by Ralph son of Robert 'above town' of Castor to Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Castor lying in Normangate Field<sup>1</sup> between the land of Robert son of Ralph Silvester of Castor and of Peter Proctor of Castor, abutting at one end on the headland of Henry son of William Thorold of Castor and at the other on *Stretegate*; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . *Shortly before 1290*

Item Radulphus filius Roberti a boue ton de Castre dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri atte Lanesende de Castre et Ede uxori sue, et heredibus suis uel assignatis, unam acram terre arabilis in campo de Castre iacentem scilicet in Normangate, inter terram Roberti filii Radulphi<sup>a</sup> Siluestr' de Castre ex parte una et terram Petri procuratoris de Castre ex altera, uno capite abuttante super foreram Henrici filii Willelmi Thoraldi de Castre et alio capite abuttante super *Stretegate*; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Cecilia Roche tenet de hereditate Willelmi filii Reginaldi natiui.<sup>i</sup>)<sup>ba</sup>

*Date.* Nos. 353, 355, and 359 have subinfeudation clauses, and so are presumably earlier than 1290; but since they are part of a series including charters of 1293-4, 1295, 1297-8, 1299, and 1305 they are unlikely to be much before 1290. William Thorold, Henry's father, died in 1277, and Henry survived until 1315-22 (P, p. 153 n.).

354. Grant by John atte Cross of Castor to Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor and Edith his wife, and their heirs, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and 1 rood in Castor, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie in *Thornis* against *Lewysmylneholm* between the land of William son of Walter of Castor and of Hugh atte *Nunnes*, abutting to the south on the headland of Henry the Lord of Castor; and 1 rood lies behind *Stanewelle* between the land of John Butler of Castor and of William of Pickworth, abutting at one end on *Stanewellebrok* and at the other on the road beyond *Stanewelle*; to be held of the chief lords for the service due. *1297-8*

Item Johannes ad crucem de Castre dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri ad capud uenelle de Castre et Edusie uxori sue et heredibus unam dimidiam acram et unam<sup>c</sup> rodam terre in campis de Castre iacentes, quarum una roda et dimidia iacet in Thornis contra Lewysmylneholm inter [*f. 57<sup>v</sup>*] terram Willelmi filii Walteri de Castre ex parte una et terram Hugonis atte Nunnes ex altera, et uno capite abuttante super foreram Henrici le Lord de Castre uersus

<sup>a</sup> The scribe wrote Roberti in error, then added Radulfi, but failed to cancel Roberti. Cf. no. 376.

<sup>b</sup> natiuu (?) MS.

<sup>c</sup> The parcels add up to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  roods: perhaps one should read unam dimidiam rodam.

<sup>1</sup> See P.N. Northants., p. 233.

<sup>2</sup> 'Cecily Roche holds (this land) by inheritance from William son of Reginald, villein.' If William was the son of the recipient of this charter, Reginald atte Lanesend was presumably also a villein, which would explain how nos. 352-9 came to be in the collection.

australem; et una roda (Willelmus Edous<sup>i</sup>) terre iacet retro Stanewelle inter terram Johannis le Botiller de Castre ex parte una et terram Willelmi de Pyke-worthe ex altera, uno capite abuttante super Stanewellebrok et alio capite abuttante super uiam ultra Stanewelle; tenendas de capitalibus dominis etc., faciendo inde annuatim capitalibus dominis feodi seruicia debita etc. Cum warentia, cuius data est anno regni regis Ed(wardi) uicesimo sexto. (*On f. 57: Sunt ibidem alie due acre quarum j tenet Robertus March', que quondam fuit Hugonis de Kendal et aliam tenet Willelmus filius Reginaldi. On f. 57<sup>v</sup>: Habet diem . . . Eadem tenet ut supra.*<sup>i</sup>)

355. Grant by Thomas son of William Palmer of Castor to Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood in Castor, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood lie in *Denchesmor* between their own land and the land of John Butler of Castor, abutting at one end on the headland of Alice widow of Robert Reeve of Castor to the north and to the south on the land of Robert Hert; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Thornis* against the *Schelf*, between the land of John Godwin and of Hugh of Warmington, abutting to the east on the headland of Henry son of William Thorold;<sup>1</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . *Shortly before 1290*

Item Thomas filius Willelmi Palmer de Castre dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri atte Lanesende de Castre et Ede uxori sue et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam acram et dimidiam rodam terre in campis de Castre iacentes, unde una dimidia acra (Willelmus Edous<sup>i</sup>) et dimidia roda terre iacet (*sic*) in *Denchesmor* inter terram suam ex parte una et terram Johannis le Botiller de Castre ex altera, uno capite abuttante super foreram Alicie quondam uxoris Roberti prepositi de Castre uersus aquilonem et alio capite abuttante super terram Roberti Hert uersus austrum (eadem tenet ut supra<sup>i</sup>); et una dimidia acra (iij. de Mar<sup>i</sup>; habent diem<sup>i</sup>) iacet in *Thornis* contra le *Schelf*, inter terram Johannis Godwyn ex parte una et terram Hugonis de Wermin<sup>(n)</sup>gton ex altera, uno capite abuttante super foreram Henrici filii Willelmi Thoraldi uersus orientem; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

356. Grant by Henry son of Thomas and Agnes Scherem<sup>i</sup> (? Shearman) of Peterborough to Reginald son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 4 acres of arable and 3 roods of meadow in Castor in the following parcels: 3 roods lie in *Eyning* at *Wodehil*, abutting to the north on the land of John Godwin of Castor;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in the same field at *Erborhowses* by the land of Thomas Palmer of Castor to the east;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the same field at *Dodisforlong* by the land of John atte Cross of Castor on the east; 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie in Castor *Wodefeld* by the land of John Butler of Castor on the east; 3 roods in *Normangate Field* by the land of Robert Schakelok of Castor to the west, at the forks of Castor (i.e. probably, cross-roads);  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in the *Thornis* at the cross called *Lordiston* ('Lord's stone') by the land which William Pickworth of Castor held, abutting to the north on the land of John Butler of Castor; 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Castor *Hamfeld* by the land of Henry called the Lord of Castor to the south; 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie in the same field by the land which Thomas of Alwalton of Castor held of Henry the Lord of Castor to the west; 1 rood lies in the same field in the *Pyth* by the land of Henry called the Lord to the north; 3 roods of meadow lie in Castor *Lyrtillangmedwe* between the waters (? rivers), by the meadow once held by Robert Silvester of Castor; to be held of the chief lords for the services due. *8 April 1305*

Item Henricus filius Thome et Agnes Scherem<sup>i</sup> de Burgo dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri de Castre et Edusie uxori sue et heredibus suis uel assignatis quatuor acras terre et unam trirodam prati prout iacent per parcelas in campis et in pratis de Castre;<sup>a</sup> quarum una triroda (W. Priour<sup>i</sup>) iacet in *Eyning* [*f. 58*]

<sup>a</sup> The parcels add up to 17  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods of arable and 3 roods of meadow, i.e. 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  roods of arable too much. Perhaps one of the  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres should be  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 353.

apud Wodehil, uno capite abuttante super terram Johannis Godwyn de Castre uersus boriā; et una dimidia acra (Willelmus Edous<sup>1</sup>) iacet in eodem campo apud Erborhowses iuxta terram Thome Palmer de Castre uersus orientem; et una dimidia acra (Willelmus Eyer<sup>1</sup>) iacet in eodem campo apud Dodisforlong iuxta terram Johannis ad crucem de Castre ex orientali parte (eadem ut supra. W. Cordel tenet ut dicunt: quere. W. Waryn tenet tempore Ade Abbatis<sup>1</sup>);<sup>1</sup> et una roda et dimidia (habuit dictus W. Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in Castre Wodefild iuxta terram Johannis le Boteler de Castre ex orientali parte (idem habet<sup>1</sup>); et una triroda (eandem tenet W. Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in Normangate iuxta terram Roberti Schakelok de Castre uersus occidentem, scilicet ad furcas de Castre; et una dimidia acra (habent diem<sup>6</sup>) (W. Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in le Thornis ad crucem dictam Lordiston iuxta terram quam Willelmus Pykeworth de Castre tenuit, uno capite abuttante super terram Johannis Boteler de Castre ex parte boriali; et una roda et dimidia roda (habent diem<sup>6</sup>) (W. Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in Castre Hamfeld iuxta terram Henrici dicti le Lord de Castre uersus australem (*sic*); et una roda et dimidia (habent diem<sup>6</sup>) (W. Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in eodem campo iuxta terram quam Thomas de Alwolton in Castre tenuit de Henrico le Lord de Castre uersus occidentem; et una roda (W. Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in eodem campo in le Pyth iuxta terram Henrici dicti le Lord uersus borialem; et una triroda prati (W. Edous; eadem ut supra<sup>1</sup>) iacet iuxta (*sic*) in Castre Lyttillangemedwe prout iacet in longitudine inter aquas, iuxta pratum quondam Roberti Seluestr' de Castre; tenendas de capitalibus dominis feodi etc., faciendo inde capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Cum warentia, data apud Staunford die Jouis proxima ante diem Dominicam in Ramis Palmarum anno regni regis Ed(wardi) tricesimo tercio.

357. Grant by Matilda widow of Richard Porter of Castor in free widowhood to Reginald son of Walter atte Lanesend and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of half a croft with buildings lying in the vill(age) of Ailsworth by the croft of William of Pickworth, abutting to the east on the royal road and to the west on the abbot's furlong; to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .<sup>2</sup> 26 July 1295

Item Matilda relicta Ricardi le Porter de Castre in sua libera uiduitate dedit etc. Reginaldo filio [*f. 58<sup>v</sup>*] Walteri ad capud uenelle et Edusie uxori sue et heredibus eorum uel assignatis medietatem unius crofti (Willelmus Edous<sup>1</sup>) cum edificiis iacentem in uilla de Eylisworth iuxta croftum Willelmi de Pykeworth, uno capite abuttante super uiam regiam uersus orientem et alio capite abuttante super culturam domini abbatis de Burgo uersus occidentem; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis siue assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, data apud Castre die Martis proxima post festum sancti Jacobi apostoli anno regni regis Ed(wardi) uicesimo tercio (. . . dimidiam acram et alienatur Rogerio filio G. de Eylesworth.<sup>1</sup>)

358. Grant by John atte Cross of Castor to Reginald son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Castor lying at Eynying at Crakerey, by the land of Ralph Silvester of Castor on the east, abutting at both ends on the abbot's land; to be held of the chief lord for the service due. 1 April 1299

Item Johannes ad crucem de Castre dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri de Castre et Edythe uxori sue et heredibus eorum uel assignatis unam acram terre in campis de Castre iacentem apud Eynying apud Crakerey, iuxta terram Roberti Siluestr' de Castre ex parte orientali, et abuttat in utroque capite super terram domini abbatis de Burgo; tenendam de capitali domino feodi,

<sup>1</sup> 'The same as above. W. Cordel holds it, so they say: inquire into it. W. Waryn holds (or held) it in Abbot Adam's time' (1321-38).

<sup>2</sup> See above, p. xvii n.

reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino feodi seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Castre die Mercurii proxima post festum Annunciationis Beate Marie anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo septimo. (Willelmus Edous. Eadem tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

359. Grant by William son of Richard Paston of Ailsworth to Reginald son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and Edith his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 3 roods in Castor at *Wodehil*, between the land of Henry the Lord<sup>1</sup> and of Ralph of Rainham, abutting at one end on *Wodegatis* and at the other on *Menewodesti*; to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Shortly before 1290*

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi Paston de Eylysworth dedit etc. Reginaldo filio Walteri de Castre et Edusie uxori sue et heredibus eorum uel assignatis unam trirodam terre in campis de Castre iacentem atte *Wodehil*, inter terram Henrici le Lord ex una parte et terram Radulphi de Reynham ex altera, uno capite abuttante super *Wodegatis* et alio capite abuttante super *Menewodesti*; tenendam de se uel de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus uel assignatis unum obolum (ad festum) Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (W. Edous. Eadem tenet. Summa, ix acre quarum triroda prati et tenetur in bondagio et faciunt finem etc.<sup>2</sup>)

360. Grant by Thomas son of Thomas Clerk of Ailsworth to William son of Walter (atte Lanesend<sup>3</sup>) of Castor and Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of his messuage in Ailsworth, between the messuage of Ralph of Berkhamstead and the messuage of Cecily Paris, which she held as dowry, and all his land with meadows and wood which is called the *Mendyngg*, lying in Castor, Ailsworth, and Upton, &c.; to be held of the chief lords for the services due. *c. 1300 (1290-1308)*

[f. 59] Item Thomas filius Thome clerici de Eylysworth dedit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri de Castre et Matilde uxori sue et heredibus eorum uel assignatis mesuagium suum in Eylysworth, situm inter mesuagium Radulphi de Berkhamstede ex una parte et mesuagium Cecilie Parys ex altera, quod tenuit nomine dotis, et totam terram suam una cum pratis et bosco qui uocatur le *Mendyngg* sicut iacet in campis et in pratis de Castre et de Eylysworth et de Upton etc.; tenenda de capitalibus dominis feod(or)um, reddendo inde annuatim capitalibus dominis feodi debita seruicia. Cum warentia et sine data. (Galfridus Ridel. Willelmus Cordesti cum filia dicti Willelmi in maritagio. De terra et prato habent diem ad deliberandum (?).)

*Date.* Nos. 360-8 represent the archive of William son of Walter atte Lanesend, presumably the brother of the recipient of nos. 352-9. The dated documents belong to 1297, 1297-8, 1305, and 1308. No. 360 is later than 1290 but before 1308 (see no. 362). Some other documents in the series—nos. 363, 366-8—must be earlier than 1290, though presumably not much earlier (but see note to 366). Ralph of Berkhamstead was the recipient of no. 53, dated 1282.

361. Grant by Peter Hayward of Castor after the death of Matilda his wife to William son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of the same and Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of 1 acre, of which 3 roods lie in Castor in *Eyninge* on *Redelond* by the land of Elias son of Henry of Easton of Milton, abutting to the south on the land of Roger Cordel of Castor and to the north on the headland which William Dennis of Castor held of the abbot; and 1 rood lies in the same field on *Blakmilde* by the land of Henry Thorold of Castor to the south, abutting to the east on *Blakmildegate*; to be held of the chief lord for the service due. *30 September 1305*

Item Petrus Hayward de Castre dedit post discessum Matilde uxoris sue Willelmo filio Walteri de eadem et Matilde uxori sue et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam acram terre, cuius acre una triroda iacet in campis de Castre,

<sup>1</sup> Occurs 1290 and 1302 and is mentioned in 1305 (ChP, pp. 145-6; V2, f. 48v; no. 356).

<sup>2</sup> Cf. nos. 365-7.



uidelicet in Eyninge super Redelond iuxta terram Elye filii Henrici de Eston in Milton, et abuttat super terram Rogeri Cordel de Castre uersus austrum et aliud capud super foreram quam Willelmus Dyneys de Castre tenuit de domino abbate de Burgo uersus boriā; et una roda iacet in eodem campo super Blakmilde iuxta terram Henrici Thorald de Castre uersus austrum, et abuttat super Blakmildegate uersus orientem; tenendam de capitali domino feodi etc., faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, data apud Castre die Jouis proxima post festum Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Ed(wardi) tricesimo tercio. (W. Priour.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* As with Reginald's charters (nos. 352, &c.), the alternative dates are unacceptable, and no. 362 is specifically dated 'anno . . . Edwardi filii . . . Edwardi', the formula for Edward II.

362. Quit-claim by Thomas son of Thomas Clerk of Ailsworth to William son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and his heirs of his rights in a messuage in Ailsworth, with all the arable and meadow lands and appurtenances which William had previously (*quondam*) bought of him, as is shown in the earlier feoffments (see no. 360). 28 December 1308

Item Thomas filius Thome le Clerk de Eylisworth remisit et quietum clamauit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri de Castre et heredibus suis totum ius suum quod habuit in uno mesuagio in uilla de Eylisworth, una cum omnibus terris et pratis et cum omnibus aliis pertinenciis quas et que dictus Willelmus quondam de se emit, ut patet per feofamenta sua prius inde confecta; tenendum etc. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum die Sabbati [f. 59<sup>v</sup>] in festo Sanctorum Innocencium infra Natale Domini anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi secundo.

363. Grant by John atte Cross of Castor to William son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and Matilda his wife of 1½ roods in Castor in *Ham*, lying in *Denchemor* by the land of John Butler, abutting to the east on William of Pickworth's<sup>1</sup> headland; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of a rose (confirmed in no. 364). Shortly before 1290

Item Johannes ad crucem de Castre dedit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri de Castre et Matilde uxori sue unam rodā et dimidiam terre in campis de Castre uidelicet in *Ham*; iacet in *Denchemor* iuxta terram Johannis le Boteler, et abuttat super foreram Willelmi de Pykeworth uersus orientem etc.; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unam rosam ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Priour.<sup>1</sup>)

364. Grant by John atte Cross of Castor to William son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and Matilda his wife of 1 acre and ½ rood in Castor in *Ham*, of which 3 roods lie at *Langemergate* by the land of Henry Thorold of Castor to the east, abutting on *Wrydemergate* to the north; and 1½ roods at *Denismor* by the land of John Butler of Castor to the south, abutting to the east on the land of William of Pickworth of Castor (see no. 363); to be held of the chief lord for the service due. 1 June 1297

Item Johannes ad crucem de Castre dedit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri de Castre et Matilde uxori sue unam acram et dimidiam rodā terre in campis de Castre iacentes scilicet in *Ham*, quarum una triroda (Willelmus Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet apud *Langemergate* iuxta terram Henrici Thorald de Castre uersus orientem, et abuttat super *Wrydemergate* uersus borealem; et una rodā et dimidia (Willelmus Priour<sup>1</sup>) apud *Denismor* iuxta terram Johannis Boteler de Castre uersus austrum, et abuttat super terram Willelmi de Pykeworth de Castre uersus orientem; tenendas de capitali domino feodi, reddendo inde

<sup>1</sup> William of Pickworth is mentioned in nos. 354, 356-7, 363-5, 370. (A man of this name occurred in 1287-8, and another in 1321 (P, p. 68; VI, f. 78).)

annuatim capitali domino feodi debitum seruicium. Cum warentia, data apud Castre primo die mensis Junii anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo quinto.

365. Grant by John atte Cross of Castor and Matilda his wife to William son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor and Matilda his wife and their heirs of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Castor, of which 3 roods lie in *Ham* between the land of Henry the Lord of Castor and of William of Sibberton, abutting on *Wrydemeregate* to the north;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in the same field between the land of John Butler and of Hugh atte *Minnes*, abutting on the headland of William of Pickworth to the east; and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in *Thornis* between the land of John Butler and of Henry Belle of Milton, abutting on Walcot moor to the east; to be held of the chief lord for the service due.

1297-8

Item Johannes ad crucem de Castre et Matilda uxor sua dederunt etc. Willelmo filio Walteri ad capud uenelle de Castre et Matilde uxori sue et heredibus eorum unam acram et dimidiam terre iacentem in campis de Castre, quarum una triroda (Willelmus Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in *Ham* inter terram Henrici le Lord de Castre ex parte una et terram Willelmi de Siberton ex parte altera, uno capite abuttante super *Wrydemeregate* uersus aquilonem; et una roda et dimidia (Willelmus Priour<sup>1</sup>) iacet in eodem campo [*f. 60*] inter terram Johannis le Botiller et terram Hugonis atte *Minnes*, uno capite abuttante super foreram Willelmi de Pykworth uersus orientalem; et una roda et dimidia terre (Willelmus Edous<sup>1</sup>) iacet in *Thornis* inter terram Johannis le Botiller et terram Henrici Belle de Milton, uno capite abuttante super Walcotemor uersus orientem; tenendam de capitali domino feodi, faciendo inde annuatim capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, cuius data est anno regni regis Ed(wardi) uicesimo sexto.

366. Grant by Ralph son of Robert 'above town' of Castor to William son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor of 1 acre in Castor, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in *Ham* by the land of William Thorold<sup>1</sup> of Castor, abutting to the south on *Lyngg* and to the north on the land of Eustace Cordel; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the same furlong between the abbot's land and the land of Ascelin atte *Stile*, abutting towards the south on *Lyngg*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of one root of ginger.

Shortly before 1290

Item Radulphus filius Roberti a boue toun de Castre dedit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri ad capud uenelle de Castre unam acram terre arabilis in campis de Castre iacentem, unde una dimidia acra (Willelmus Edous<sup>1</sup>) iacet in *Ham* iuxta terram Willelmi Thoraldi de Castre, uno capite abuttante super *Lyngg* uersus australem et alio capite abuttante super terram Eustachii Cordel uersus aquilonem; et una dimidia acra (Willelmus Edous<sup>1</sup>) iacet in eadem quarentena inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex una parte et terram Ascelini atte *Style* ex altera, uno capite super *Lyngg* uersus austrum; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unam radicem gyeongbri ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

367. Grant by William son of Richard Paston of Ailsworth to William son of Walter atte Lanesend of Castor and Matilda his wife of 3 roods in Castor, lying on *Dodesforlong* between the land of Hugh of Warmington and of Peter atte *Stoke*, abutting to the south on the abbot's furlong and to the north on the land of Lecia Paris;<sup>2</sup> to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

Shortly before 1290

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi Paston de Eylisworth dedit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri atte Lanesende de Castre et Matilde uxori sue unam trirodam terre (Johannes Hendry<sup>1</sup>) in campis de Castre, iacentem scilicet super *Dodesforlong* inter terram Hugonis de Wermin(n)gton ex parte una et terram Petri atte *Stok* ex altera, uno capite abuttante super culturam domini abbatis de Burgo uersus austrum et alio capite abuttante super terram Lecie Parys uersus aquilonem;

<sup>1</sup> Died 1277 (no. 353; but cf. 370).

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps the same as Cecilia Paris in no. 360.

tenendam de se et de heredibus suis uel [f. 60<sup>v</sup>] assignatis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

368. Grant by Matilda Cordel widow of Richard Porter of Castor in free widowhood to William son of Walter (atte Lanesend) of Castor and Matilda his wife of 3 roods in Castor, lying in *Ham* between the land of the abbot and of William of Ailsworth, abutting at one end on *Wrydemeregate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1 rose.

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Matilda Cordel quondam relicta Ricardi le Porter de Castre in sua libera uiduitate dedit etc. Willelmo filio Walteri de Castre et Matilde uxori sue unam trirodum terre (Willelmus Priour<sup>1</sup>) in campis de Castre, iacentem in Ham inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo et terram Willelmi de Eylisworth, uno capite abuttante super Wrydemeregate; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo sibi et heredibus suis unam rosam florem ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

369. Grant by Ralph of Rainham, merchant of Castor, to Peter Hayward of Castor and Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Castor, lying in *Ham* between the land of the abbot and of Thomas Clerk of Ailsworth, abutting to the north on the land of Hugh Frost of Warmington and at the other end on the running water<sup>1</sup> at *Cuffik*<sup>2</sup>; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Shortly before 1290*

Item Radulphus de Reynham mercator in Castre dedit etc. Petro le Hayward de Castre et Matilde uxori sue, et heredibus eorum uel assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre (Willelmus Priour<sup>1</sup>) in campis de Castre, iacentem scilicet in le Ham inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex parte una et terram Thome clerici de Eylisworth ex altera, uno capite abuttante super terram Hugonis Frost de Wermi(n)gton uersus aquilonem et alio capite abuttante super aquam currentem apud *Cuffik*<sup>2</sup>; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Before 1290, because subinfeudated; but probably not many years before 1290, since the recipient was still active in 1305 (no. 361), although his wife was then dead. The son of Thomas Clerk of Ailsworth was active in the first decade of the 14th century (nos. 360, 362).

370. Grant by William son of William Thorold of Castor to William Carter of Castor of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Castor, lying in Normangate Field between the land of William of Pickworth and of Richard le Rus, abutting at one end on the headland of the donor and at the other on the (same?) road;<sup>2</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Before 1290*

Item Willelmus filius Willelmi Thorold de Castre dedit etc. Willelmo caretario de Castre unam dimidiam acram (Johannes Geffroun<sup>1</sup>) terre in campis de Castre iacentem apud Normangate inter terram Willelmi de (Peykyrke<sup>2</sup>) Pykworth ex una parte et terram Ricardi le Rus ex altera, et abuttat uno capite super foreram dicti Willelmi Thorold de Castre et altero capite super indictum uicum; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum [f. 61] obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 60<sup>v</sup>*: Uxor eius natiua, Matilda Cartere; in . . . et dictam (?) acram sequentem et fecerunt finem anno H(enrici) abbatis x<sup>o</sup>. i)<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> i.e. a stream (? fast-flowing).

<sup>2</sup> 'indictum (indcm)' is obscure: it may well be an error for 'antedictum', 'aforesaid'—i.e. Normangate.

<sup>3</sup> 'His [i.e. William Carter's] wife Matilda Carter is a villein. (They also held) the  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre following, and made a fine in the tenth year of abbot Henry' (i.e. 1347-8). The meaning of the second part is uncertain, and some words are probably missing. It can hardly be the Carters who made the fine so late as 1347-8.

*Date.* William Thorold, presumably the donor's father, died in 1277 (no. 353 n.). William Carter occurs in 1272 (no. 372). William of Pickworth is mentioned in nos. 354, 356-7, 363-5. These details suggest a date in the late 13th century—not after 1290, since the land is subinfeudated.

371. Grant by Eustace son of William Cordel of Castor and Matilda his wife to William son of Peter of Ailsworth of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Ailsworth on *Morfurlong*, by the land of William son of Ralph of Ailsworth; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Before 1290*

Item Eustachius filius Willelmi Cordel de Castre et Matilda uxor sua dederunt etc. Willelmo filio Petri de Eylisworth unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Eylisworth super Morfurlong, iuxta terram Willelmi filii Radulphi de Eylisworth; tenendam et habendam de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim illis et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Geffroun.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Presumably 13th-century, and perhaps dating from the middle or second half of the century: Matilda Cordel may be the Matilda Cordel of no. 368 (in which case she will have married again and lost her second husband between nos. 371 and 368), or more probably her daughter; and William of Ailsworth may be the same as the William of no. 368.

372. Demise indented for 15 years by John son of Richard of Paston to William Carter of Castor of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Castor towards *Kyrkefurlong*, between the land of Alice daughter of Richard of Paston and the land of Roger Neubonde.

1272

Item Johannes filius Ricardi de Paston concessit et dimisit per indenturam Willelmo carectario de Castre unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Castre iacentem uersus Kyrkefurlong, inter terram Alicie filie Ricardi de Paston et terram Rogeri Neubonde; tenendam usque ad finem quindecim annorum. Cum warentia, data apud Castre anno ab incarnatione Domini nostri millesimo trecentesimo (*sic*) septuagesimo secundo. (Willelmus Priour.<sup>1</sup>)

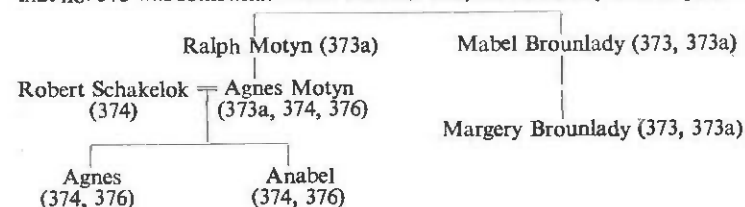
*Date.* The MS. reads 1372, a date which seems far too late for the rest of the collection and is impossible palaeographically; and a date by year of grace would be unusual in 1372. It is clearly a scribal error for 1272. For William Carter, cf. no. 370; William son of Richard Paston, presumably the donor's brother, occurs in nos. 359, 367.

373. Quit-claim by Thomas son of William Palmer of Castor to Margery daughter of Mabel Brounlady of Castor of an annual rent of  $8d$ . which she had previously paid to him.

*Before 1290*

Item Thomas filius Willelmi Palmer de Castre concedit et quietum clamauit Margerie filie (Mabillie)<sup>a</sup> Bruneladi de Castre annuum redditum viij denariorum sibi soluendum ad duos anni terminos, quos sibi solebat reddere (et assignantur celebracioni misse in capella de Castre<sup>1</sup>). Sine warentia, sine data. (Habent diem.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the donor, cf. no. 355. The following pedigree suggests, though it does not prove, that no. 373 was somewhat earlier than no. 376; it must in any case be prior to 1290.



No. 373 may be part of the transaction by which the rent was assigned to pious uses (see no. 373a); otherwise it is difficult to reconcile with 373a.

<sup>a</sup> See no. 373a.

373a. Note that Thomas son of William Palmer of Castor bought the rent (as in no. 373) from Ralph son of Ralph of Upton,<sup>1</sup> and that he subsequently sold it to Roger son of Dennis, who assigned it for the celebration of a mass of the Blessed Virgin in the chapel of Castor. The rent came from a messuage with croft in the vill(age) of Castor of the Southorpe fee;<sup>2</sup> it had been held by Ralph Motyn, then by Mabel Brounlady his sister and Margery her daughter. After Margery's death it passed to Agnes, the tenant at this time (i.e. presumably at the time of no. 373).

Memorandum quod Thomas filius Willelmi Palmer de Castre emit de Radulpho filio Radulphi de Upton viij denarios anui redditus surgentes de uno mesagio cum crofto in uilla de Castre de feodo de Suthorp, quod quidem mesuagium Radulphus Motyn quondam tenuit; et predictum redditum reddidit dictus Ranulphus (*sic*) (et) dedit predictum tenementum Mabillie Brounlady sorori sue; et eadem Mabillia dedit predictum tenementum Margerie filie sue; Margeria obiit seysita et descendit hereditas Agneti Motyn que tunc tempore istius fact' [*f. 61<sup>v</sup>*] tenuit. Dictus Thomas le Palmer uendidit predictum annuum redditum Rogero filio Dyonisii; idem Rogerus assignauit et dedit predictum annuum redditum celebracioni misse Beate Marie in capella de Castre. (*On f. 61: Memorandum: habent diem.*)

374. Quit-claim by Henry son of William called Louerd (? Lord) of Castor to Agnes wife of Robert Schakelok and Agnes and Annabel, Agnes's daughters, their heirs and assigns, of all his rights in all the lands and holdings of their predecessors of which the ladies were seised when the charter was written. 1290-1

Item Henricus filius Willelmi dicti Louerd de Castre remisit et quietum clamauit Agneti uxori Roberti Schakelok et Agneti et Anabilie filiis dicte Agnetis, et heredibus earum et earum assignatis, totum ius et clamium quod habuit uel aliquo modo habere potuit in omnibus terris et tenementis que fuerunt de hereditate antecessorum suorum, et unde predicte mulieres fuerunt sesite et tenuerunt die confectionis istius scripti. Sine warentia, cuius data est anno regni regis E(dwardi) decimo nono. (Habent diem ad inquirendum quas terras habuerunt.<sup>3</sup>)

375. Grant and quit-claim by Botildis of Castor, daughter of Robert Corum, in free widowhood, to Ranulf her son of a messuage in the vill(age) of Castor with a toft and croft, lying between the houses of Thomas Neubonde and of Ranulf son of Ascelin Palmer, and all her rights in the same holding; to be held of Reginald Corum for an annual rent of 8d., saving forinsec service to the king. Probably mid 13th century

Item Botildis de Castre filia Roberti Corum in libera uiduitate sua dedit et quietum clamauit Ranulpho filio suo unum mesuagium in uilla de Castre cum tofto et crofto—illud scilicet quod situm est inter domum Thome Neubonde et domum Ranulphi filii Ascelini Palmer—et totum ius quod habuit uel habere potuit in predicto tenemento; tenenda de Reginaldo Corum, reddendo inde annuatim eidem Reginaldo octo denarios ad duos anni terminos pro omni seruicio, saluo forinseco seruicio domini regis ad tantum tenementum pertinente. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Waryn de Eylisworthe. Dominus Rogerus Waryn tenet de feodo Prikemere.<sup>4</sup>)<sup>5</sup>

*Date.* This seems to be the origin of the rent of 8d. whose adventures are described in nos. 373-6 (no. 377 is connected to these by a gloss), especially in no. 373a. It is therefore well before no. 373, and might even belong to the first half of the century. A Botilda, widow, occurs in Castor in the Surveys.

<sup>1</sup> A Ralph of Upton occurs c. 1287 (P, p. 63), but this is not a sufficient indication to date the transaction.

<sup>2</sup> For the Southorpe fee, a tenancy under the abbey, see P, pp. 63-72.

<sup>3</sup> 'William Waryn of Ailsworth. Sir Roger Waryn holds (it) of the Prickmere fee.' On the Prickmere fee, see P, pp. 61-62.

376. Grant by Norman son of Geoffrey of Castor to Agnes daughter of Ralph Motyn of Castor and Agnes and Annabel her daughters and their heirs, of 4 acres in Castor, of which 1 acre lies in *Ham* by the land of Ralph of Rainham, abutting at one end on the headland once held by Robert son of Ralph Silvester of Castor;  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in *Heyning* by the land of Geoffrey Draper of Milton, abutting at one end on *Marholm gate*;  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood in *Normangate* field by the land of Robert Hert, abutting on the abbot's furlong; 3 roods in *Normangate* field by the land of Thomas Kayte of Peterborough, abutting on the River Nene;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Heyning* on *Garton howes* by the land once held by William Benedict of Milton, abutting on the headland of Roger Cordel; 1 rood in *Normangate* field by the land of Hugh Frost of Warmington, abutting on the headland once held by Ralph Burgeys; 3 roods in *Ham* by the land of Gilbert son of Roger Dennis of Ailsworth, abutting on the land of Robert son of Ralph Silvester; and 1 rood at *Blakmylde* by the land of William Thorold of Castor (cf. no. 353 n.), abutting on *Blakmyldegate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to the wardens of the chantry of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the church of Castor of 2s. 6d. and to the brothers and sisters of St. Leonard's Hospital of 6d.,<sup>1</sup> in free alms, for the donor's soul and for all the faithful departed—saving to the chief lords 2 roods of ginger and 1d. per annum. *Shortly before 1290*

Item Normanus filius Galfridi de Castre dedit etc. Agneti filie Radulphi Motyn de Castre et Agneti filie sue et Anabilie filie sue et earum heredibus quatuor acras terre in campis de Castre; quarum una acra (Agnes Motyn<sup>1</sup>) iacet in Ham iuxta terram Radulphi de Reynham, uno capite abuttante super foreram quondam Roberti filii Radulphi Siluestr' de Castre; et una roda et dimidia (eadem Agnes<sup>1</sup>) iacent in Heyning iuxta terram Galfridi le Draper de Milton, uno capite abuttante super Marhamgate; et una dimidia roda (eadem<sup>1</sup>) iacet in Normangate iuxta terram Roberti Hert, et abuttat super culturam domini abbatis de Burgo; et una triroda (eadem<sup>1</sup>) iacet in Normangate iuxta terram Thome Kayte [f. 62] de Burgo et abuttat super aquam que uocatur Nene; et una dimidia acra (Agnes Motyn iunior<sup>1</sup>) in Heyning super Carton howes iuxta terram quondam Willelmi Benedicti de Milton et abuttat super foreram Rogeri Cordel; et una roda (eadem<sup>1</sup>) in Normangate iuxta terram Hugonis Frost de Wermi(n)gton, et abuttat super foreram quondam Radulphi Burgeys; et una triroda (eadem<sup>1</sup>) in Ham iuxta terram Gilberti filii Rogeri Dionis de Eylisworth, et abuttat super terram Roberti filii Radulphi Siluestr'; et una roda iacet apud Blakmylde iuxta terram Willelmi Thorold de Castre, et abuttat super Blakmyldegate; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, pro anima sua et pro omnibus fidelibus defunctis, conseruatoribus<sup>2</sup> misse cantariam Beate Marie Uirginis in ecclesia de Castre ij solidos et sex denarios ad quatuor anni terminos, et sex denarios ad festum Omnium Sanctorum fratribus et sororibus Sancti Leonardi de Burgo; saluo (sic) etiam capitalibus dominis feodorum annuatim duas radices gingibri et unum denarium. Cum warentia et sine data. (On f. 61<sup>v</sup>: Eadem terra que supra cum mesuagio Motyn. Habuit (?) diem. On f. 62: Pertinet ad hospitale Sancti Leonardi iuxta Burgum.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The subinfeudation clause seems to place it before 1290; but the marginal references to Agnes Motyn presumably indicate that one of the younger recipients was still alive when the book was compiled. Cf. no. 373. William Thorold died in 1277; Roger Cordel occurs in 1290 (no. 353 n.; ChP, pp. 145-6).

377. Grant by Botildis daughter of Robert Corum of Castor to Ranulph her son of  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre below the vill(age) of Castor between the abbot's land and Ranulph Palmer's, abutting at one end on the *hayis* of the parson of Castor, at the other on the road called *Estthorp*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 8d. to the heirs of Upton<sup>3</sup> and  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. to the king. *? Mid 13th century*

<sup>1</sup> sic MS., perhaps for conseruantibus.

<sup>2</sup> This is the only evidence known that St. Leonard's Hospital (see above, p. 23, n.) had women as well as men. St. Leonard's began as a leper hospital, and subsequently became an ordinary male hospital. Peterborough had a hospital for sisters, by the abbey gate, dedicated to St. Thomas of Canterbury.

<sup>3</sup> i.e., probably, of the Prickmere fee in Upton: cf. gloss to no. 375 and P, p. 43.

Item Botildis filia Roberti Chorum de Castre dedit etc. Ranulpho filio suo terciam partem duarum acrarum terre infra uillam de Castre iacentem inter terram domini abbatis de Burgo ex parte una et terram Ranulphi Palmer ex parte altera, et uno capite abuttante super hayis persone de Castre, et alio capite super uiam que uocatur Estthorp; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim heredibus de Upton octo denarios ad duos terminos, et domino regi unum quadrantem pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Croftum mesuagii supradicti.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* For the donor, see no. 375.

378. Grant by German son of James of Ailsworth to Geoffrey son of Adam Carpenter of Ailsworth of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Castor at *Fordeslade*, between the land of Henry son of William Thorold of Castor and the land of Ascelin Reeve of Castor, abutting at one end on the headland of Richard Porter and at the other on the River Nene; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Before 1290*

Item Germanus filius Jacobi de Eylisworth dedit etc. Galfrido filio Ade carpentarii de Eylisworth unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campis de Castre, iacentem uidelicet atte Fordeslade inter terram Henrici filii Willelmi Thoraldi de Castre ex parte una et terram Asceloti prepositi de Castre ex altera, uno capite abuttante super foreram Ricardi le Porter et alio capite [*f. 62<sup>v</sup>*] (super aquam) currentem que uocatur Nene; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 62: Johannes de Eylesworthe tenet natiuus, et reddit vjd. per annum pro illa et dimidia acra in Thornis que uocatur Ballies halfaker.*)<sup>1</sup>

*Date.* Probably not long before 1290: for Henry Thorold, cf. nos. 361 (1305), 370 and n. &c. Richard Porter's widow occurs in nos. 357, 368.

## [VII]

379.\* Grant by William Pucin of Stamford to the abbot and convent and their successors, for the use of their tenants in Stamford, of a plot of villein land called *Oldebolepit* off (lit. outside) the road called *Burle* lane, to serve the abbot and convent and their successors, and the people of Stamford of the Peterborough fee, to make a (cattle) pound for taking distrains for debts due to the king and other matters touching the liberty (i.e. franchise, privileged jurisdiction) of the abbot and convent.<sup>2</sup>

Sciant presentes et futuri quod Willelmus Pucin de Stanforde dedi etc. Deo et ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo, abbati et conventui eiusdem loci et eorum successoribus, ad commodum et utilitatem tenencium suorum in uilla de Staunford<sup>b</sup> quandam placeam natiuam extra uicum qui dicitur *Burlelane* et appellatur *Oldebolepit*, ita quod predicta placea deseruiat predictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus et prefate communitati Staunford de feodo Burgi, ad inparcamentum faciendum et districtiones tam pro debitis domini regis quam pro aliis tangentibus libertatem predictorum abbatis et conuentus; habendam et tenendam etc. [*f. 63 blank.*]

\* Added in a later hand.

<sup>b</sup> de Staunford repeated in MS.

<sup>1</sup> 'John of Ailsworth, a villein, holds it, and pays 6d. per annum for it and for the  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Thornis called *Ballies halfaker*' (?bailiff's  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre).

<sup>2</sup> Within the area of their franchise, the monks of Peterborough had the right (and duty) of exercising certain kinds of royal jurisdiction and extracting taxes and fines. But the precise meaning of this text is not clear, and some words may be missing before 'districtiones'.

[VIII] [*f.* 63<sup>v</sup>] CARTE NATIVORUM DE IRTLINGBURG'  
(CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF IRTLINGBOROUGH)

380. Quit-claim by Henry son of Simon of Irthlingborough to Abbot Richard (of London) and the convent of his rights in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of meadow with appurtenances, which he held of them<sup>1</sup> in the meadow in Irthlingborough called *Longedole*, between the abbot's meadow called *Stanegatedik* and the meadow which Roger Koncel of Irthlingborough holds in villeinage. 1274-95

Item Henricus filius Simonis<sup>a</sup> de Irtling(b)urg' remisit et omnino quietum clamavit domino Ricardo permissione diuina abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et conuentui eiusdem loci, totum ius et clamium quod habuit seu aliquo modo iuris habere potuit in quadam dimidia acra prati cum pertinenciis, quam quidem dimidiam acram prati quam tenuit de dictis abbate et conuentu iacet<sup>1</sup> in prato de Irtlingburgo quod uocatur *Longedole*, inter pratum dicti domini abbatis quod uocatur *Stanegatedik* ex parte una et pratum quod Rogerus Koncel de Irtlingburg' tenet in uillenagio ex parte altera; tenendum et habendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data. (In dominico.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 380-1 are dated by the reference to Abbot Richard of London, 1274-95. The donor of no. 381 occurs in 1281 and 1302 (ChP, p. 82; V2, f. 49).

381. Quit-claim by Richard son of Stephen of Irthlingborough to Abbot Richard (of London) and the convent of his rights in 3 roods of meadow in Irthlingborough called *Stanegatedik*, with appurtenances, which he held of them, and which extend from *Milneholmlake* to Irthlingborough field.<sup>2</sup> 1274-95

Item Ricardus filius Stephani de Irtlingburg' remisit et quietum clamavit pro se et heredibus suis domino Ricardo Dei gratia abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentui totum ius et clamium quod habuit seu aliquo modo iuris habere potuit in tribus rodīs prati cum pertinenciis, quas quidem tres rodas prati quondam tenuit de dictis abbate et conuentu in pratis de Irtlingburg', et uocantur *Stanegatedik*; et extendunt se de *Milneholmlake* in longitudine usque in campum de Irtlingburg'; tenendas et habendas dictas tres rodas prati cum omnibus pertinenciis suis predictis abbati et conuentui et eorum successoribus sine ullo retenemento. Sine warentia et sine data. (In dominico.<sup>1</sup>)

382. Lease<sup>3</sup> for life by Alice daughter of Gilbert Shepherd of Irthlingborough, with the consent of Henry her husband, to Ralph son of Geoffrey Plumer as a marriage portion with her daughter Alice of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Irthlingborough, which she had by grant of her father Gilbert (see no. 387); i.e. 1 acre on *Gereowefurlong*, lying between land once Thorold son of Hugh's and land once Robert Dyer's, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Holbush*<sup>4</sup> which he bought from William Hore; for an annual rent of 2d. ? Mid or late 13th century

Item Alicia filia Gilberti Bercarii de Irtlingburg', consensu Henrici uiri sui, dedit etc. Radulpho filio Galfridi Plumer in maritaggio cum Alicia filia sua unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Irtlingburg', quas habuit de dono Gilberti patris sui, scilicet illam acram super *Gereowefurlong*, iacentem inter terram quondam Thoraldi filii Hugonis et terram quondam Roberti tinctoris; et illam dimidiam acram (Willelmus Lord<sup>5</sup>) in *Holebusk* quam emit de Willelmo Hore; tenendas in tota uita sua, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad Pascha floridum<sup>6</sup> pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> Simionis MS.

<sup>1</sup> The meaning is clear, although the grammar is confused.

<sup>2</sup> Or 'the arable land of Irthlingborough'.

<sup>3</sup> Nos. 382 and 385 only grant tenure for life and are therefore strictly leases, although the formula 'dedit etc.' is unusual for a lease. <sup>4</sup> Cf. *P.N. Northants.*, p. 287. <sup>5</sup> Palm Sunday.



*Date.* Alice Shepherd senior, daughter of Gilbert son of William Shepherd, is a party to nos. 382 and 387, and is referred to as no longer living in no. 385; no. 382, which provides a marriage portion for her daughter, is somewhat later than no. 387, to which it refers; no. 385 is the latest in the series. There is no other means of dating these charters except the subinfeudation clause in nos. 385 and 387, which suggests a date before 1290. The precise description of the tenement would be unlikely before the early 13th century. We therefore date them, very tentatively, mid or late thirteenth century.

383. Grant by Agatha daughter of Ralph Hothehyl of Finedon to John son of John Rose of Irthlingborough of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Irthlingborough at *Normanisbrigge*, between the land of John son of Henry and the land which William Paston once held, extending from *Normanisbrigge* to *Mersdik*; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  to the chief lord. c. 1290

[f. 64] Item Agatha filia Radulphi Hothehyl in Tindene in libera potestate sua dedit etc. Johanni filio Johannis Rose de Irthlingburg' unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campo de Irthlingburg' apud Normanisbrigge, inter terram Johannis filii Henrici et terram Willelmi Paston quondam tenuit (*sic*), et extendunt se a Normanisbrigge usque in Mersdik; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo capitali domino unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data. (Johannes Body.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The subinfeudation clause should date it before 1290. But it is unlikely to be long before, since it was called in question in 1293-4 (no. 388).

384. Grant by Alice wife of John Paris of Irthlingborough to Richard Luwe of Irthlingborough of 1 rood in Irthlingborough at Braitch,<sup>1</sup> between the land of Nicholas son of John on the east and of Maurice Daundelin on the west, extending from the boundary to the abbot's land—William of Kettering once held it;<sup>2</sup> to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  Before 1290 (probably mid 13th century)

Item Alicia uxor Johannis Paris de Irthlingburg' dedit etc. Ricardo Luwe de eadem unam rodam terre in campis de Irthlingburg apud le Breche, inter terram Nicholai filii Johannis ex parte orientali et terram domini Mauricii Daundelin ex parte occidentali, et extendit se a diuiso (*sic*) usque in terram domini abbat, quondam Willelmi de Ketering tenuit (*sic*); tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Spiry.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Only datable from the subinfeudation clause and Maurice Daundelin, who occurs from 1242 to 1266, and was apparently dead by 1280 (P, p. 116 n.).

385. Lease for life without warranty by John son of Gilbert Shepherd of Irthlingborough to Alice his sister's daughter<sup>3</sup> of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres, which she held by grant of her mother for her mother's life; to be held of himself and his heirs or assigns for an annual rent of 2d.

? Mid or late 13th century (before 1290)

Item Johannes filius Gilberti Bercarii de Irthlingburg' dedit etc. Alicie filie sorori<sup>3</sup> sue unam acram terre et dimidiam usque ad finem uite sue, scilicet illam acram et dimidiam quam habuit de dono matris sue usque ad finem <uite> matris sue; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis duos denarios ad Pascha

<sup>1</sup> Cf. *P.N. Northants.*, p. 287.

<sup>2</sup> It is not clear whether William held the subject of the charter or 'the abbot's land'—presumably the former.

<sup>3</sup> The text is corrupt; it might be amended 'Alicie filie Gilberti sorori sue' or 'Alicie filie sororis sue', since we know from no. 382 that mother and daughter were both called Alice. The second emendation is the simpler, and is probably correct, since the size of the tenement suggests in any case that this is a confirmation by the head of the family of no. 382. It is implied by this document that Alice senior only had a life interest in the property she granted her daughter in 382, and that John on that account regranted it on the same terms.

floridum pro omni seruicio; et post obitum dicte Alicie dicta terra reuertatur dicto Johanni uel heredibus suis sine aliqua contradictione. Sine warentia et sine data.

386. Grant by William son of Thorold of Irthlingborough to Robert son of Henry le Leche of Irthlingborough and Matilda his wife, their heirs and assigns, of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres in the East field of Irthlingborough, which he held by grant of Emma widow of Simon Barr', which lie between land once held by William vicar of All Saints, Northampton, on the west, and the land of Hugh of Titchmarsh on the east, on either side of the road from Addington to Higham Ferrers on *Crakeston*; to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns for an annual rent of *1d.*  
Before 1290

Item Willelmus filius Thoraldi de Irthlingburg' dedit etc. Roberto filio Henrici le Leche de eadem et Matilde uxori sue, et eorum heredibus uel assignatis, tres acras et dimidiam terre in campo orientali de Irthlingburg' quas habuit de dono [*f. 64<sup>v</sup>*] Emme quondam uxoris Simonis Barr', que iacent inter terram quondam domini Willelmi uicarii ecclesie Omnium Sanctorum Northampton' ex parte occidentali et terram quondam Hugonis de Tychemers ex parte orientali, ex utraque (parte) uie que ducit de Adington uersus Heccham super *Crakeston*; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum denarium ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (I. Campiun tenet. Deberet reddere *ijd.* nobis ut in rotulo compoti anno Ricardi Abbatis *xx<sup>o</sup>*.<sup>11</sup>)

387. Grant by Gilbert son of William<sup>o</sup> of Irthlingborough to Alice his daughter of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Irthlingborough, of which one lies in *Gerhoufurlong* between the land of Thorold son of Hugh and land once held by Robert Dyer, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Holbush, which he bought from William Hore; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of *2d.* (cf. nos. 382, 385).  
? Mid 13th century (well before 1290)

Item Gilbertus filius Willelmi de Irthlingbur' dedit etc. Alicie filie sue unam acram ad dimidiam terre in campis de Irthlingburg', quarum una acra iacet super *Gerhoufurlong* inter terram Thoroldi filii Hugonis et terram quam Robertus tinctor aliquando tenuit; et alibi una dimidia acra in *Holebusch*, quam emit de Willelmo le Hore; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad Pascha floridum pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

388. Memorandum of a charter of John son of John Rose purchasing  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods (cf. no. 383), which were taken into the abbot's hands because he is a villein, and regranted to him as a tenant-at-will, in the 20th year of Abbot Richard (of London, 1293-4), for an additional rent of *1d.* to the abbot, of which  $\frac{1}{2}d.$  is to be paid to Richard son of Stephen by the abbot's reeve.  
1293-4

Memorandum quod hec est una carta Johannis filii Johannis Rose de Irthlingbur' emit (*sic*) unam rodam et dimidiam terre arabilis, que capte sunt in manu domini eo quod natiuus, et retradite sunt eidem Johanni tenende ad uoluntatem domini, anno domini Ricardi abbatis uicesimo; reddendo inde domino abbati de Burgo per annum de nouo redditu unum denarium, unde unus obolus debet solui Ricardo filio Stephani per manum prepositi abbatis.

389. Memorandum of sale by Simon son of Henry Clerk of Irthlingborough to Nicholas Pyel of Irthlingborough of his windmill with all its equipment.  
25 April 1289

<sup>1</sup> 1294-5.

<sup>2</sup> Comparison with 382 and 385 clearly identifies him as Gilbert Shepherd, father of John and Alice I (385) and grandfather of Alice II (382).

Memorandum quod Simon filius Henrici clerici de Irtlingbur' uendidit Nicholao Pyel de Irtlingbur' molendinum suum uentriticum cum toto atilio. Data die Sancti Marci euangeliste anno regni regis E(dwardi) xvijmo.

*Date.* Nicholas Pyel also occurs in documents of 1285 and 1296 (nos. 65-68), which confirm that this date belongs to Edward I's reign: the alternative would be 1324.

390. Inquisition made at Tinwell (Rutland) on Saturday, 26 January 1291/2, by oath of twelve (or more) jurors named, on the descent of 18 acres of arable and 1½ acres of meadow in Stamford. It had been acquired by William Gressop of Ingthorpe,<sup>1</sup> villein of the abbot of Peterborough, from the prioress and convent of Stamford. William had four sons and one daughter, called Edith, to whom he granted this land. After William's death, Edith married Gilbert Prudhomme of Empingham, and they had two daughters, Emma and Margery; after the parents' death the land was divided between them as Edith's heirs. Later another abbot's villein, Walter in le Westlane of Ingthorpe, married Emma; they had one son, John, and one daughter, Wymarca. John crossed the sea about twenty years before and never returned, and so was presumed dead. Since then Simon son of Margery of Ingthorpe, abbot's villein, married Wymarca; they had one son, Henry, before marriage, and a daughter after marriage, now dead. Emma's sister Margery married Henry atte Cross of Ingthorpe, abbot's villein; they were still alive and claimed Emma's half of the land as her heirs since she died without legitimate surviving descendants. Later Henry and Margery atte Cross quit-claimed the holding<sup>2</sup> to the abbot for the use of Richard their son, for an annual payment of 3s., of which 2s. was to be paid to the prioress of Stamford through the reeve of Tinwell, as before.<sup>3</sup>

26 January 1291/2

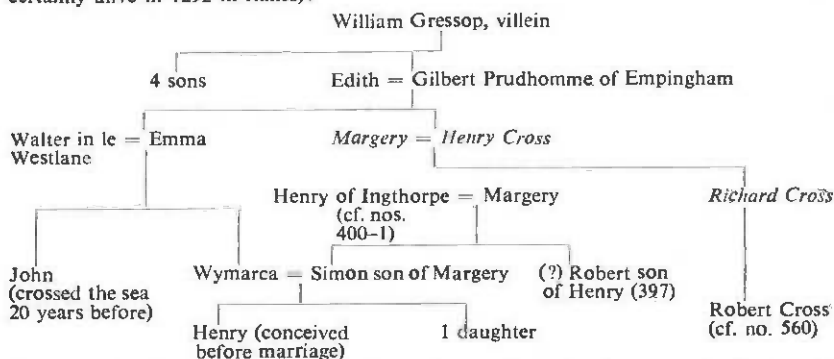
Inquisicio capta apud Tynewelle (Tynewell<sup>i</sup>) die Sabbati in crastino Sancti Pauli Conuersionis anno regni regis E(dwardi) uicesimo, per sacramentum subscriptorum, uidelicet: Walteri atte Ston, Petri filii Roberti, Petri in uenella, [f. 65] Simonis ad crucem, Petri atte Grene, Hugonis Broun, Thome filii Leticie, Ricardi de Tykyncote, Nicholai Boleman, Henrici Longeto, Thome Alwyne, et heredibus (sic)<sup>4</sup> de Clopton iuratorum, qui dicunt per sacramentum suum quod quidam Willelmus Gressop de Ingethorp, natiuus abbatis de Burgo Sancti Petri, adquisiuit de priorissa Sancti Michaelis extra Staunford et eiusdem loci<sup>a</sup> conuentu xvij acras terre arabilis et unam acram et dimidiam prati

<sup>a</sup> MS. *adds et*

<sup>1</sup> A hamlet lying to the west of Great Casterton, and north of Tinwell.

<sup>2</sup> It is not clear if this refers to Emma's share or the whole 19½ acres—probably the latter, since no. 560 shows that the whole inheritance was held of the abbot (who held of the prioress) in 1346-7; and the purpose of this part of the process seems to be to legalize the whole tenement.

<sup>3</sup> Nos. 390-1 belong to Tinwell (cf. nos. 397 ff.) not to Irthingborough. This remarkable document (supplemented by the other documents noted below) yields the following pedigree (people certainly alive in 1292 in italics):



(It is clear that Wymarca is dead; not entirely clear that Simon her husband is dead or that Henry is alive; Robert Cross was evidently not yet born. Henry of Ingthorpe may have been the son of Alviva (cf. nos. 403-5) and brother of Peter son of Alviva (cf. 407).)

<sup>4</sup> Presumably there were twelve jurors; 'heredibus' is probably a corruption of a Christian name.

in Staunford, sibi et heredibus suis. Dictus uero Willelmus de uxore sua quam duxit genuit quatuor filios et unam filiam, nomine Edusam, et dictam terram dicte Eduse dedit. Mortuo dicto Willelmo uenit quidam Gilbertus Prudhomme de Empyngnam et duxit in uxorem Edusam predictam, de qua idem Gilbertus genuit duas filias, Emmam uidelicet et Margeriam, inter quas dicta terra et pratum post mortem dictorum Gilberti et Eduse tanquam inter heredes dicte Eduse partita fuit. Postea uenit quidam Walterus in le Westlane de Ingethorp, natiuus abbatis, et dictam Emmam filiam dictorum Gilberti et Eduse primogenitam duxit in uxorem, de qua idem Walterus genuit unum filium Johannem nomine et unam filiam Wymarcam nomine. Idem Johannes filius dicti Walteri fere uiginti annis transactis transiuit mare, necdum rediit; propter quod creditur quod iam mortuus est. Postea uenit quidam Simon filius Margerie de Ingethorp, natiuus abbatis, et dictam Wymarcam filiam dictorum Walteri et Emme duxit in uxorem; tamen<sup>a</sup> ante matrimonium solemnizatum idem Simon genuit de dicta Wymarca quandam filium nomine Henricum qui eciam ante matrimonium predictum natus est; et post matrimonium predictum idem Simon de dicta Wymarca genuit quandam filiam que mortua est. Dicta uero Margeria soror Emme predictae et filia supradictorum Gilberti et Eduse desponsata fuit cuidam Henrico ad crucem de Ingethorp, natiuo abbatis. Et idem Henricus et Margeria [*f. 65<sup>v</sup>*] qui adhuc superstites sunt uenerunt et medietatem terre predictae que est in manu domini, tanquam ius dicte Margerie uxoris sue, petunt, pro eo quod Emma soror sua sine herede de se obiit ut predictum est. Postea idem Henricus et Margeria uxor sua totum ius et clamium in plena curia in manus domini abbatis ad opus Ricardi filii eorum reddiderunt, soluendum per annum domino abbati ijs. Unde ijs. soluentur priorisse Staunford' per manum prepositi de Tynewell qui pro tempore fuerit, ut prius.

*Date.* The 20th year of Edward II did not reach to 26 January 1327, although it is just possible that a document might still have been dated as in his reign in ignorance of his abdication on 20 January. 1346 would be much too late, since we must allow for the passage of a number of years between no. 390, when the land was adjudged to Henry atte Cross and his wife for the use of their son Richard, and no. 560, which describes the same land in 1346-7 after Richard's death and his son's succession. In any case, 26 January was a Saturday in 1292, but not in 1327 or 1346.

391. Grant without warranty by Alice prioress and the convent of Stamford, with the assent of Henry of Fiskerton their prior, to Geoffrey Prodom (Prudhomme) son of Robert Prodom of Empingham (Rutland) and his heirs, of 1 bovat in *Bradecroft* once Oswald son of Leveric's, which William son of Thomas of Ingthorpe once held of him. William quit-claimed it with the assent of Alice his wife and Henry his heir, save for 3 acres, of which one is called *Tunkeacre* and lies on *Nomanisland*, 1 acre lies to the west of *Lynghan* between the land of Henry of Tickencote and of Osbert of Bourne,  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies beyond the road by the 6 acres *de Castello*,<sup>1</sup> and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre between the land of Henry of Tickencote and of David *scriptor* and abuts on the selion of William of Peakirk; to be held of themselves and their heirs (*sic*) for an annual rent of 4s. 1225-9

Item Alicia priorissa Sancti Michaelis extra Staunford et eiusdem loci conuentus, de communi consilio et assensu Henrici de Fyskerton tunc prioris eorum, dederunt etc. Galfrido Prodom filio Roberti Prodom de Empingham et heredibus suis unam bouatam terre in Bradecroft, illam scilicet que fuit Oswardi filii Leueric, quam aliquando Willelmus filius Thome de Ingethorp tenuit de illo. Idem Willelmus cum assensu Alicie uxoris sue et Henrici heredis sui spontanea uoluntate illis coram capitulo earum<sup>b</sup> reddidit et quietam clamauit, exceptis tribus acris terre, quarum una acra uocatur Tunkeacre et

<sup>a</sup> tñ MS.

<sup>b</sup> eorum MS.

<sup>1</sup> The meaning of this is obscure: 'de Castello', 'of the Castle', could mean that the 6 acres were named after an actual castle or a tenancy or fee or a family of that name.

iacet super Nomanisland, et una acra iacet ex occidentali parte de Lynghan (*sic*) inter terram Henrici de Tykencote et terram Osberti de Brunne, et dimidia acra se extendit ultra uiam iuxta sex acras de Castello, et dimidia acra iacet inter terram (domini<sup>c</sup>) Henrici de Tykencote et terram David scriptoris, et abuttitur super sellionem Willelmi de Peichirche; tenendam de illis et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim illis et heredibus eorum (*sic*) pro eadem bouata terre exceptis tribus predictis acris quatuor solidos argenti ad quatuor terminos anni. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Prioreess Alice occurs in 1230 (*Rotuli Hugonis de Welles*, ii, ed. W. P. W. Phillimore (Lincoln Rec. Soc., 1913), p. 79) and died after 1235 (N, f. 208). Henry of Fiskerton was made prior in 1225 and resigned in 1229 (*Rot. Hugonis de Welles*, iii, ed. F. N. Davis (1914), pp. 142, 173. Neither entry is precisely dated, but the former is the last entry in the 16th year of Bishop Hugh, the latter the last but one in the 20th. The 16th year ended in December 1225, the 20th in December 1229).

392. List of tenants in the virgate and messuage called *Bukworthlond*, 'of which mention is made at Irthlingborough'.<sup>1</sup>

[f. 66] Nomina eorum qui tenent illam uirgatum terre cum uno mesuagio uocat' Bukworthlond, de quibus fit mencio<sup>1</sup> apud Irthingburgh. Thomas filius Henrici tenet mesuagium iuxta Willelmum Masse et dat per annum *xd*. Nicholaus Bolder tenet unam acram terre apud Adington Cros iuxta terram Johannis Godwyne et dat per annum *vd*. Hugo Freman (J. Ode[. . .]<sup>i</sup>) tenet sex rodas terre apud Hawiswell et Longelondes iuxta terram dicti Johannis Godwyne et dat per annum *vijd. ob*. Simon Cartere tenet unam rodam apud Longelondes iuxta terram predicti Johannis Godwyne et dat per annum *jd. ob*. Uxor Johannis Collessone tenet dimidiam acram et dimidiam rodam terre apud Scharpwell et supra Crakestonweye iuxta terram predicti Johannis Godwyne et dat per annum *ijjd*. Hugo filius Stephani (J. Warde<sup>i</sup>) tenet dimidiam acram terre super Crakeston iuxta Galfridum Aunore et dat per annum *ijjd*. Rogerus filius Stephani (T. Rauf<sup>i</sup>) dimidiam acram terre in Aldeborough per *ijjd*. Willelmus Dalle (T. Radulph<sup>i</sup>) *vj* rodas terre super Bradewong et subtus Yse unam acram prati iuxta Aliciam Dyt et Ricardum Joye pro *xijjd*. Henricus Fox (T. Raph<sup>i</sup>) tres rodas terre sub Yse iuxta Ricardum Joie pro *ijjd. ob. qr*. Radulphus Lord (R. . . .<sup>i</sup>) sex rodas terre super Inlond iuxta Ricardus Joie pro *vijd. ob*. Nicholaus Spirie (M. Ired. [?]<sup>i</sup>) et Alicia Milner *ij* acras terre apud Waters iuxta terram dicti Ricardi Joie et dant per annum *xd*. Rogerus Vescy (Agnes Res<sup>i</sup>) iunior *ijj* rodas apud Brunsty iuxta Willelmum filium Ricardi et dat per annum *ijjd. ob. qr*. Henricus filius Simonis tenet tres rodas (W. Oat<sup>i</sup>) apud Dunstall iuxta Ricardum Joie, tres acras (H. Edward [?]<sup>i</sup>) apud Calde- well iuxta Dyt, *vj* rodas super Bradewong iuxta Aliciam Dyt, unam peciam pasture (W. Oat<sup>i</sup> [?]<sup>i</sup>) in Westholm iuxta dictam Aliciam et dat per annum *ijs. iiijd*. Johannes Huet (T. Radulph<sup>i</sup>) tres rodas in Blakesslades iuxta dictam Aliciam et dat per annum *ijjd. ob. qr*. [f. 66<sup>v</sup>] Johannes Spirie (J. Lord<sup>i</sup>) *j* rodam et dimidiam super Fulbek iuxta Johannem Godwyne pro *ijjd*. Galfridus Body (J. Ward<sup>i</sup>) *j* rodam apud Fulbek iuxta Galfridum Aunore pro *jd. qr*. Henricus Leyr (R. Lord<sup>i</sup>) dimidiam acram prati in Estlong iuxta Aliciam Dyt, *j* rodam prati in Staunford iuxta Johannem Gode, *j* rodam et dimidiam terre super Knythlond iuxta Galfridum Aunore, et dat per annum *xid*. Henricus Bakere (. . .<sup>i</sup>) *ij* rodas terre super Wylugh et Peselondes iuxta terram Johannis Godwyne, et dat per annum *ijjd. ob*. Gilbertus Parent (J. Lord<sup>i</sup>) *ijj* rodas super Peselond iuxta Johannem Ballard et dat per annum *ijjd. ob. qr*. Johannes Ballard (T. Ac[. . .]<sup>i</sup>) *j* rodam ibidem iuxta dictum Gilbertum et dat *jd. qr*. Johannes filius Ade (Ph[. . .]<sup>i</sup>) le Fisshere *j* rodam ibidem iuxta Johannem

<sup>1</sup> i.e. is mentioned in the rental of Irthingborough (see end of document).

Ballard et dat per annum *jd. gr.* Johannes de Haregrave (J. Camp<sup>i</sup>) dimidiam acram apud Hawyswell iuxta J. Gode(wyne) *ijd. ob.* Juliana Schadewe *ijj rodas* apud Bradebusk iuxta G. Aunore et dat per annum *ijd. gr.* Reginaldus Pycot (J. Dribold<sup>i</sup>) tenet *j rodam* et *xij pedes prati* in Estmerssh iuxta predictum Galfridum Aunore et dat per annum *ijd. ob.* Hugo Doo et uxor Daundelyn (W. Edwin (?), . . . <sup>i</sup>) *j rodam* et dimidiam prati in Estmerssh iuxta dictum Galfridum Aunore et dat per annum *ijd. ob.* Agnes de Keteringe (W. Ed[ . . . <sup>i</sup>]) tenet *vj rodas terre* super Hamtone Weye et *vj rodas* super Wylugh iuxta Johannem Gode et dat per annum *xiijd. ob. gr.* Summa acrarum: *xxv acre*, *j roda* preter pasturam. Summa denariorum: *xiijs. vjd. gr.* Et sic excedit marcam de qua fit mencio in redd(ituale) de *ijd. gr.*

*Date.* The only clue seems to be the mention of John Spirie; a man of the same name appears in a marginal note to no. 384, which suggests he was alive about or shortly after the book was compiled; in this case the document belongs to the early-mid 14th century, and the marginalia giving later tenants of these holdings must be considerably later. But the coincidence of a single name is slight evidence on which to date this document.

## [IX] [f. 67] CARTE NATIVORUM DE COTYNGHAM

### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF COTTINGHAM)

393a. Memorandum of a plea levied by writ of right by William of Anstey, a freeman, against Abbot Richard of London (1274-95) for a messuage, a virgate of arable, and 2 acres of meadow with appurtenances in the vill(age) of Cottingham, in court at Castor before Master Robert of Sheffield then steward of Peterborough in the 18th and 19th years of King Edward (1289-91). The abbot conceded it to him out of court. Subsequently he sold and quit-claimed it to Bartholomew Smith of Cottingham (cf. b and d below), and Bartholomew bound himself and his heirs to perform the services due to the abbot, which Robert Fauvel, abbot's villein, had performed when he held the tenement (cf. c and e). 1289-91

Memorandum quod Willelmus de Anesty liber homo implacitauit dominum Ricardum de London' abbatem pro uno mesuagio et una uirgata terre et duabus acris prati cum pertinenciis in uilla de Cotyngnam, per breue de recto, quod placitum fuit in curia de Castre coram magistro Roberto de Scheffeud tunc senescallo Burgi, anno regni regis Edwardi decimo octauo et decimo nono; unde dominus abbas reddidit ei extra curiam et sine iudicio predictum tenementum, eo quod dicebatur a multis quod ius habuit ad tenementum predictum. Postea uero uendidit et quietum clamauit totum ius suum Bartholomeo fabro de Cotyngnam sicut patet hic per cartam suam. Idem uero Bartholomeus obligauit se et heredes suos ad faciendum domino abbati seruicia debita et consueta, que Robertus Fauuel natiuus domini abbatis dum illud tenementum tenuit fecit, prout carta eiusdem Bartholomei hic testatur.

*Date.* The process took place in 1289-91, and William's quit-claim to Bartholomew (d) is dated 22 January 1290/1. b, c, and e can thus be dated c. January 1290/1.

393b. William of Anstey's charter of enfeoffment to Bartholomew Smith.

c. January 1290/1

Carta Willelmi de Anesty per quam feoffauit Bartholomeum fabrum de Co(tyngnam).

393c. Charter of Bartholomew binding himself and his heirs to perform the services due for the tenement (cf. e).

c. January 1290/1

Carta Bartholomei fabri de Cotyngnam per quam obligat se et heredes suos ad seruicia debita et consueta domino abbati pro tenemento supradicto.

393d. Quit-claim by William son of Geoffrey of Anstey to Bartholomew Smith of Cottingham of his rights in a messuage and 13½ acres of arable and 2 acres of meadow with appurtenances in Cottingham, which Robert Fauvel held; to be held of the chief lords for the services due.  
22 January 1290/1

Memorandum quod Willelmus filius Galfridi de Anesty dedit et quietum clamavit Bartholomeo fabro de Cotyngham totum ius et clamium quod habuit in uno mesuagio et tresdecim (*sic*) acris<sup>a</sup> terre et dimidia et duabus acris prati cum pertinenciis in eadem, que Robertus Fauvel tenuit; tenendum de capitalibus dominis feodi, faciendo inde annuatim capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Sine warentia, data apud Cotyngham die Lune proxima ante festum Conuersionis Sancti Pauli anno regni regis E(dwardi) decimo nono.

393e. Charter without warranty of Bartholomew Smith of Cottingham in which he describes how Abbot Richard of London had granted to William Anstey a messuage and a virgate in Cottingham, which Robert Fauvel had previously held for the services and dues which Robert had rendered; and William had granted it to Bartholomew to hold of the abbot for the same services and dues. He promised good faith and, for (licence) to enter, bound himself, his heirs and assigns, to do the services (and pay the dues) which Robert paid, that is an annual rent of 4s., to plough once in the winter sowing and again in the lent sowing with as many oxen as he shall yoke in the plough,<sup>1</sup> to render one hen at Christmas and 10 eggs at Easter, to cut wood (?) for one day of *Wodebene* in the autumn with one man, to do borough work when it occurs and to give a tallage at Michaelmas with his peers.<sup>2</sup>  
c. January 1290/1

Item Bartholomeus faber de Cotyngham salutem etc. Nouerit uniuersitas quod dominus Ricardus de London' abbas de Burgo reddidit Willelmo Anesty unum mesuagium et unam uirgatam terre in Cotyngham, uidelicet illud mesuagium et illam uirgatam terre [*f. 67<sup>v</sup>*] que Robertus Fauvel tenuit in eadem, faciendo seruicia et consuetudines que et quas dictus Robertus facere consueuit; ac idem Willelmus sibi dictum mesuagium et terram contulisset, habenda et tenenda de predicto abbate et successoribus suis, faciendo seruicia et consuetudines predictas. Promittit bonam fidem et pro (licentia) ingrediendi<sup>b</sup> obligauit se per presentes, et heredes suos et assignatos et successores quoscunque, ad facienda seruicia (et consuetudines), que et quas predictus Robertus fecit, uidelicet quatuor solidos per annum ad quatuor anni terminos secundum consuetudinem uille statutos, et arare semel ad semen yemale et iterum ad semen quadragesimale cum quot habuerit iunctos (*sic*) in caruca, et reddere unam gallinam ad Natale Domini et decem oua ad Pascha, et metere per unum diem de wodebene in autumpno cum uno homine, et facere buruwerk cum acciderit et dare tallagium ad festum Sancti Michaelis cum paribus suis. Sine warentia et sine data.

394. Grant by Hugh Herberd of Middleton to William Prest (? Priest) of Cottingham of 1 toft and 1 virgate in Middleton, to be held of the chief lords for the services due.  
c. 1300

Item Hugo Hereberd de Medilton dedit etc. Willelmo Prest de Cotyngham unum toftum et unam uirgatam terre in uilla de Medilton; tenenda de capitalibus dominis feodi, faciendo capitalibus dominis feodi seruicia debita. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> acras corrected to acris MS.

<sup>b</sup> bonam fidem—ingrediendi] bona fide et pro (or per) lumina (?) ingrediendi MS. (we owe the reading in the text to Mr. H. C. Johnson).

<sup>1</sup> i.e. his normal contribution to the team: the meaning seems to be that he should not be expected to acquire additional oxen for the purpose (cf. J. A. Raftis, *Estates of Ramsey Abbey* (Toronto, 1957), pp. 191-2 and n.—'cum quot capitibus habet in caruca').

<sup>2</sup> A characteristic list of services: cf. no. 516, and esp. the Surveys. 'Wodebene', wood boon, presumably means a day's boon work, labour service, in the lord's wood (flogging or carting wood or the like). In this context it seems to have become the name for any kind of boon work at a particular stage in the autumn. 'Buruwerk' (burhweorc) means literally work on the lord's fortifications; what precisely was implied here is not clear.

*Date.* Nos. 394-5 are both after 1290 (although a William Mayn occurs in 1254, P, p. 116 n.), and both linked by William Prest to no. 396, in which he is also the recipient, and which is dated 1310; it is possible that no. 396 refers to the same property as 394, in which case 396 is presumably the later.

395. Grant by William Mayn of Middleton to William Prest of Cottingham of (a) mesuage(s) with courtyard attached in Middleton, between Constantine Reeve and Katherine Page; to be held of the chief lords for the services due. c. 1300

Item Willelmus Mayn in Medilton dedit etc. Willelmo Prest de Cotyngham illa (*sic*) mesuag(ia) cum curia adiacente in uilla de Midylton, inter Constantinum prepositum ex parte una et Katerinam Page ex altera parte; tenend(a) de capitalibus dominis, faciendo capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Cum warentia, sine data. (Ista seruicia sunt de feod' Doili ut Swa-(fham) in fine inter scutagia.<sup>11</sup>)

396. Quit-claim by Agnes Gonel widow of William Schelnak of Cottingham in free widowhood to William Prest of Cottingham and Hawise his wife, and their heirs, of her rights in 1 toft and 1 virgate in Cottingham, lying by the royal road and by the toft of Richard of the Hill on the east; to be held of the chief lords for the services due.

2 June 1310

Item Agnes Gonel quondam uxor Willelmi Schelnak de Cotyngham in sua pura uiduitate relaxauit et quietum clamauit Willelmo Prest de Cotyngham et Auicie uxori sue et eorum heredibus totum ius et clamium quod habuit in uno tofto et una uirgata terre in Cotyngham, et iacet iuxta regiam uiam et iuxta toftum [f. 68] Ricardi de le Hyl ex parte orientali; habendum de capitalibus dominis feodi illius, faciendo capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Sine warentia, data apud Cotyngham die Ueneris proxima ante festum Sancte Trinitatis anno regni regis E(dwardi) filii regis E(dwardi) tercio.

## [X] [f. 68<sup>v</sup>] CARTE NATIVORUM DE TYNEWELL

### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF TINWELL (RUTLAND))

397. Sale by Robert and Geoffrey Skinner, brothers, to Robert son of Henry of Ingthorpe and Juliana his wife, their heirs and assigns, of two  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres in *Sundersokene*, of which one  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the land of William of Tickencote on the south and land once Richard Fustedame's on the north, abutting on *Wetewong* to the east, and the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies between the land of William of Tickencote on the south and of the lady Beatrice, widow of Terric of Cologne,<sup>2</sup> on the north, abutting on *Wetewong* to the east and on the land of the rector of St. Peter, Stamford, to the west; for an annual rent to Geoffrey Skinner of Stamford and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Robertus et Galfridus fratres pelliparii in libera potestate eorum uendiderunt et confirmauerunt Roberto filio Henrici de Ingthorpe et Juliane uxori sue, et heredibus eorum uel assignatis, duas dimidias acras terre in *Sundersokene*, quarum una dimidia acra iacet inter terram Willelmi de Tykencote uersus austrum et terram que fuit Ricardi Fustedame uersus aquilonem, et abuttat super *Wetewong* uersus orientem; et alia dimidia acra

<sup>1</sup> Cf. P, pp. 115-16: 'Daundelyn . . . Item Bartholomeus filius Willelmi Prest tenet unum mesuagium et uirgata terre . . . de eodem feodo quam pater suus Willelmus adquisiuit de quo habetur supra inter cartas natiuorum de Cotyngham (i.e. presumably, this charter). De hoc etiam habetur Swa. fol. cxxxv<sup>o</sup> inter seruicia de Cottingham.' The latter reference is to the early 12th-century survey copied into Swa from the Black Book (printed ChP, p. 159). The reference to Swa in the text is presumably to the 1246 scutage, almost the last entry in the register (f. cccixj); for the relation of the de Oilli and Daundelyn holdings, see P, p. 116 n.

<sup>2</sup> 'de quo habetur supra . . . ' may suggest that P was at one time bound up with our MS.

<sup>3</sup> Terric Tyeis (i.e. Theodoric the Teuton or German) of Cologne, burgher of Stamford in the time of Henry III; some records of his transactions as money-lender and property holder survive in P.R.O., Augmentations Office, E 328/16.



iacet inter terram predicti Willelmi de Tykencote uersus austrum et terram domine Beatrice (*sic*) relicte Terrici de Colonia uersus aquilonem, et abuttat super Wetewong uersus orientem et super terram rectoris ecclesie Sancti Petri Staunfordie uersus occidentem; tenendas et habendas etc., reddendo annuatim Galfrido pellipario Staunford' et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* William of Tickencote is mentioned in nos. 397 and 402, which seem to be of the second half of the 13th century and 406, of the middle of the century; he was dead before no. 399 (c. 1302) and no. 411 (probably late 13th century). 397 is also linked to 402 by the late Terric of Cologne (see p. 131 n.); and to 407 by Richard Fustedarne. For Robert son of Henry, see note to no. 39. This charter is probably, though not certainly, pre-1290.

398. Grant by Richard of Bawdeswell, burgess of Stamford, to Robert Boleman of Ingthorpe and Amice his niece and god-daughter of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Stamford, in *Sundersokene*, between Robert Boleman's own land to the north and the land of William Buntynge of Stamford to the south, abutting on the *Wetewong* to the east; for the services due.

29 November 1302

Item Ricardus de Baldeswell burgensis Staunford' dedit etc. Roberto Boleman de Ingethorp et Amicie filie sororis sue et filiole sue unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis (de) Staunford, uidelicet in *Sundersokene*, inter terram predicti Roberti Boleman uersus aquilonem et terram Willelmi Buntynge de Staunforde uersus austrum, et abuttat super le *Wetewong* uersus orientem; habendam et tenendam etc., faciendo inde annuatim seruicia debita et consueta. Cum warentia, data apud Staunford in uigilia Sancte Andree apostoli anno regni regis E(dwardi) tricesimo primo. (Potius Baker.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* The only alternative is 1357, which would be too late for the collection.

399. Grant by Simon of Weldon chaplain, rector of St. Michael, Stamford, to Robert Boleman of Ingthorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Stamford, in *Sundersoken*, between land once William of Tickencote's on either side, abutting on the *Wetewong* to the east; for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .

c. 1302

Item Simon de Weldon capellanus, rector ecclesie Sancti Michaelis in Cornestall<sup>1</sup> de Staunford, dedit etc. Roberto Boleman de Ingeth(orp) unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campis Staunford', uidelicet in *Sundersoken*, inter terram quondam Willelmi de Tykencote ex [f. 69] utraque parte et abuttat super le *Wetewong* uersus orientem; habendam et tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum argenti ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 68<sup>v</sup>*: Simon filius Ricardi. Memorandum de redditu.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Cf. 398. Since Boleman already had property in *Sundersoken* in 398, 399 may be slightly earlier; but probably not much, since 398 looks like a marriage portion.

400. Confirmation without warranty by Margery widow of William of Newbottle Bridge in free widowhood to Simon son of Margery of Ingthorpe, his heirs and assigns, of the sale by her husband to Simon of 1 acre of meadow in Ketton (Rutland), in the meadow called *Mikeleng*, between the meadow of Roger son of Goda on the west and the meadow of Henry Gobald on the east, abutting on the dyke to the north.

? Late 13th century

Item Margeria relicta Willelmi de Neubotle in libera uiduitate sua dedit etc. Simoni filio Margerie de Ingethorp et heredibus suis uel assignatis uendicionem quam dictus Willelmus de Neubotle uir suus fecit eidem Simoni de una acra prati iacente in territorio de Ketten, uidelicet in prato quod dicitur *Mikeleng*, inter pratum Rogeri filii Gode uersus occidentem et pratum Henrici Gobald uersus orientem, et capitat super fossatam uersus aquilonem. Sine warentia et sine data. (Willelmus Raulyn.<sup>1</sup>)

<sup>1</sup> Cf. *Valuation of Norwich*, ed. W. E. Lunt (Oxford, 1926), p. 244.

*Date.* The bounds and parties indicate that this is a confirmation of 401, that Simon son of Margery (400) is identical with Simon son of Henry (401), and perhaps too Henry Gobald with Henry Moremane. No. 401 seems to have had a subinfeudation clause; Simon son of Margery was alive, though probably not young, in 1292 (cf. no. 390).

401. Sale by William of Newbottle Bridge to Simon son of Henry of Ingthorpe of 1 acre of meadow in Ketton (Rutland), in the meadow called *Mikeleng*, between the meadow then held by Roger son of Goda on the west and the meadow then held by Henry Moremane on the east, abutting on the dyke called *Medudyk* towards the north; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  (cf. no. 400). *Probably late 13th century (? before 1290)*

Item Willelmus de Neubottle concessit et uendidit Simoni filio Henrici de Ingethorp unam acram prati in teritorio de Ketten iacentem in prato quod dicitur Mikeleng, inter pratum quod Rogerus filius Gode tunc tenuit uersus occidentem et pratum quod Henricus Moremane tunc tenuit uersus orientem, et abuttat super fossam que dicitur Medudyk uersus aquilonem; tenendam et habendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

402. Sale by Henry son of Henry of Tickencote, burgess of Stamford, to Simon son of Margery of Ingthorpe of 1 acre in the field in Stamford called *Sundersokene*, between the land of William of Tickencote on the south and of Roger of Irnham on the north, abutting on the land once held by Terric of Cologne to the east; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  *Probably late 13th century*

Item Henricus filius Henrici de Tykencote burgensis de Staunford uendidit etc. Simoni filio Margerie de Ingethorp unam acram terre iacentem in campo Staunford' qui dicitur *Sundersokene*, inter terram Willelmi de Tykencote uersus austrum et terram Rogeri de Hireham uersus aquilonem, et capitat super terram quondam Terici de Colonia uersus occidentem; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. [f. 69<sup>v</sup>] Cum warentia et sine data. (On f. 69: Isabella filia W. atte Cros tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 402, 403, 405,<sup>1</sup> 407, 411 can only be dated by Simon son of Margery, alias Simon son of Henry son of Alviva—cf. no. 400. They all seem likely to have had subinfeudation clauses, though it cannot be proved for any of them. Nos. 404 and 406 belong to the time of Simon's father, and so may be dated mid 13th century; both have subinfeudation clauses.

403. Grant by William le Perc of Bradecroft to Simon son of Henry son of Alviva of Ingthorpe of 1 acre in Stamford in *Sundersokene*, with land once Richard of Norfolk's on either side, abutting on the field of Ingthorpe, and lying in *Wirkepit*; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  *Probably late 13th century*

Item Willelmus le Perc de Bradecroft dedit etc. Simoni filio Henrici filii Aluiue de Ingethorp unam acram terre in teritorio de Staunford, scilicet in *Sundersokene*, inter terram que fuit Ricardi de Northfouke ex utraque parte, et abuttat super campum de Ingethorp, que scilicet acra iacet in *Wirkepit*; tenendam et habendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data. (Willelmus Raulyn.<sup>1</sup>)

404. Sale by Damisona widow of Roger Boney and Isabel widow of Hugh Buntyng, in free widowhood, to Henry son of Alviva of Ingthorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lying on this side of Great Casterton (Rutland), on the west side of the great dyke, between the land of the brothers of Casterton<sup>2</sup> to the north and of Adam of Spalding to the south, abutting on the great dyke to the east; to be held of themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  to the chapel of St. Laurence, Ingthorpe, for the support of its lights (i.e. for candles).

*Probably mid 13th century (before 1290)*

<sup>1</sup> But in 405 Henry of Ketton may be the Henry Ketton who occurs in 1302 (V2, f. 48).

<sup>2</sup> The brothers of the Leper hospital of Great Casterton; this is the earliest reference to them known.

Item Damisona relicta Rogeri Boney et Isabella relicta Hugonis Buntynge in libera uiduitate earum<sup>a</sup> uendiderunt et concesserunt Henrico filio Aluiue de Ingethorp unam dimidiam acram, iacentem citra Magnam Castirtonam ex parte occidentali magni fossati inter terram fratrum<sup>b1</sup> de Castirtona uersus aquilonem et terram Ade de Spaldyng uersus austrum, et abuttat super magnum fossatum uersus orientem; tenendam de illis et de heredibus eorum, reddendo inde annuatim capelle Sancti Laurencii de Ingethorp unum obolum ad lumina sustinenda pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

405. Sale by Henry of Ketton to Simon son of Henry of Ingthorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre this side of Great Casterton (Rutland), between the land of the rector of St. Peter, Stamford, on the south and Simon's own land on the north, abutting on the great dyke; for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. *Probably late 13th century*

Item Henricus de Keten uendidit etc. Simoni filio Henrici de Ingethorp unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem citra Magnam Castirtonam inter terram rectoris ecclesie Sancti Petri Staunford' uersus austrum et terram predicti Simonis uersus aquilonem, et abuttat super magnum fossatum; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

406. Grant by Richard Pecke of Stamford to Henry son of Alviva of Ingthorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Sundersokene*, between the land of Adam of Holm—which he held as the dowry of his wife Cecily—on the north, and the land of William of Tickencote on the south, abutting on the royal road to Empingham (Rutland); to be held of himself and his heirs.

*Probably mid 13th century*

Item Ricardus Pecke de Staunforde dedit etc. Henrico filio Alueue de Ingethorp unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de *Sundersokene* iacentem inter terram Ade de Holm, quam tenuit nomine dotis ex parte Cecilie uxoris [f. 70] sue, uersus aquilonem et terram Willelmi de Tykencote uersus austrum, et abuttat super regalem uiam uersus Empi(n)gham; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis. Cum warentia, sine data.

407. Grant by Peter son of Alviva of Ingthorpe to Simon son of Henry of Ingthorpe of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Sundersokene* called *Wlfhalfacre*, lying between the land once held by William son of Martin on the north and the land of the brothers of Swineshead<sup>2</sup> on the south—i.e. the land he bought from Richard Fustedam of Stamford; for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 1 pair of white gloves or  $\frac{1}{4}$ d.

*Probably late 13th century*

Item Petrus filius Aluiue de Ingethorp dedit etc. Simoni filio Henrici de Ingethorp unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de *Sundersokene* que uocatur *Wlfhalfacre*, iacentem inter terram que fuit Willelmi filii Martini uersus aquilonem et terram fratrum de Swynesheued uersus austrum—illam scilicet quam emit de Ricardo Fustedam de Staunford; tenendam etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum par cerotecarum albarum uel unum obolum ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

408. Grant by Peter son of Geoffrey of Rockingham to William of *Bradecroft*, his uncle, and Agnes William's wife of his houses in the abbot's fee in Stamford in the parish of All Saints, near (i.e. beyond)<sup>3</sup> the bridge of Stamford, between the houses once held by Reginald (Pot) on the east and the houses once Cassandra's on the west; for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 7s.

*Probably late 13th century*

<sup>a</sup> eorum MS.

<sup>b</sup> fratris MS.

<sup>1</sup> See note 2 on p. 133.

<sup>2</sup> A Cistercian abbey in Lincs.

<sup>3</sup> Cf. *Valuation of Norwich*, ed. W. E. Lunt, p. 245.

Item Petrus filius Galfridi de Rokyngham dedit etc. Willelmo de Bradecroft auunculo suo et Agneti uxori sue domos suas que site sunt super feodum domini abbatis de Burgo Sancti Petri in Staunford in parochia Omnium Sanctorum, prope pontem Staunford, inter domos quondam Reginaldi uersus orientem et domos quondam Cassandre uersus occidentem; tenendas etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis septem solidos argenti ad quatuor anni terminos. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 408-10 all deal with the same group of houses: in 408 they pass to William of Bradecroft and his wife, in 410 from William of Arden (who may or may not be the same as William of Bradecroft: the wife is clearly either the same as the Agnes of 408 or closely related) to Richard Aldus, in 409 a part of the rent passes from Richard Aldus to Richard son of Walter. William of Bradecroft occurs in no. 403, which suggests a very approximate date of late 13th century for 408, with possibly a slightly later date for 410 and 409. This is confirmed by the indications that 408 may have had a subinfeudation clause but the other two probably did not.

409. Grant by Richard Aldus of Stamford to Richard son of Walter atte Gate of Tinwell of an annual rent of 22d. (?) with appurtenances from the houses (as in no. 408); the services and dues to be paid to the abbot and convent and their successors. *? c. 1300*

Item Ricardus Aldus de Staunford dedit etc. Ricardo filio Walteri ad portam de Tynewell quendam annum redditum uiginti et duorum (denariorum)<sup>a</sup> cum pertinenciis singulis annis percipiendis de domibus que site sunt super feodum domini abbatis de Burgo in Staunford in parochia Omnium Sanctorum prope pontem Staunfordie, inter domos quondam Reginaldi Pot uersus orientem et domos quondam Cassandre uersus occidentem; tenendum etc., faciendo abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et conuentui [f. 70<sup>v</sup>] et eorum successoribus seruicia debita et consueta. Cum warentia, sine data.

410. Sale by William of Arden and Agnes of Bradecroft his wife to Richard son of Richard Aldus of those houses with appurtenances lying by the Welland (as in no. 408). *? c. 1300*

Item Willelmus de Arderne et Agnes de Bradecroft uxor sua uendiderunt et confirmauerunt Ricardo filio Ricardi Aldus domos illas cum pertinenciis que site sunt super Welond in parochia Omnium Sanctorum prope pontem Staunford, inter domos quondam Reginaldi Pot uersus orientem et domos quondam Cassandre uersus occidentem; tenendas etc., faciendo inde annuatim capitalibus dominis feodi seruicia debita. Cum warentia et sine data.

411. Grant by Simon son of Margery of Ingthorpe to Henry his son of 1 acre in *Sundersokene*, between land once William of Tickencote's and the land of Joseph Ferroni, abutting on land once William of Tickencote's to the west; and 1 acre of meadow with appurtenances in the meadow of *Mykeleng* between the meadow of Roger son of Goda to the south and of William Walbe to the north, abutting on the meadow dyke to the west; for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 1d.<sup>1</sup> *Probably late 13th century*

Item Simon filius Margerie de Ingethorp dedit etc. Henrico filio suo unam acram terre in campo de Sundersokene, iacentem inter terram quondam Willelmi de Tykenkote ex parte una et terram Josep Ferroni ex altera, et capitat super terram quondam dicti Willelmi de Tykencote uersus occidentem; et unam acram prati cum pertinenciis iacentem in prato de Mykeleng inter pratum Rogeri filii Gode uersus austrum et pratum Willelmi Walbe uersus aquilonem, et capitat super fossam prati uersus occidentem; tenendas etc., reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum denarium ad Pascha pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.<sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> denariorum] annorum MS. <sup>b</sup> Followed by Item as if for another charter, which was never entered. No. 411a was added later on the next leaf.

<sup>1</sup> The first acre might possibly be the land acquired by Simon in no. 402; the second is almost certainly that of nos. 400-1.

411a. Extract from a rental of the nuns of Stamford about the land of William Gressop: 4s. rent from Margery of Ingthorpe for 16 acres of arable and 2 acres of meadow (cf. no. 390), with reliefs, escheats, wardships, &c.

[f. 71] In reddituale monialium Staunford(ie) de terra Willelmi Gersshep. De Margeria de Ingethorp pro xvj acris terre arabilis et duabus acris prati que exierunt a domo ista iiij s., per iiij anni terminos, cum releuiis, eschaetis, wardis etc. [f. 71<sup>v</sup> blank.]

## [XI] [f. 72] CARTE NATIVORUM DE STANEWYG

### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF STANWICK)

412. Grant by Richard Loue of Higham (prob. Higham Ferrers) to Henry son of Richard son of Cecily of Stanwick of all his land in Stanwick with its appurtenances; to be held of himself and his heirs by Richard, his heirs and assigns, for payment of the service due to the chief lord. Before 1290

Memorandum quod Ricardus Loue de Hecham dedit etc. Henrico filio Ricardi filii Cecilie de Stanewyg totam terram suam quam habuit in campis de Stanewyg cum pertinenciis; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, sibi, heredibus suis uel assignatis, faciendo capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data. (Henricus Chicheli tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

*Date.* Nos. 412-14 are all grants to the same man; as two have subinfeudation clauses but the third does not, it seems likely that 412-13 date from not long before, 414 from not long after 1290.

413. Grant by Simon the Longe of Stanwick to Henry son of Richard son of Cecily of Stanwick of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at *Herdwythwelle* next the land of John Archebaud, and 1 rood at the *Staneweye* next the land of Walter at the *Hache*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$  d. to the chief lord. Before 1290

Item Symon le Longe de Stanwyg dedit etc. Henrico filio Ricardi filii Cecilie de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre ad Herdwythwelle iuxta terram Johannis Archebaud, et unam rodam ad le Staneweye iacentem iuxta terram Walteri ad le Hache; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus secularibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem.<sup>1</sup>)

414. Grant by Geoffrey le Tippere of Stanwick to Henry son of Richard son of Cecily of Stanwick of 2 roods at *Fewenehing*, next the land of Adam son of Richard son of Cecily; to be held by Henry, his heirs and assigns, of the chief lord for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$  d. After 1290

Item Galfridus le Tippere de Stanewyg dedit etc. Henrico filio Ricardi filii Cecilie de eadem duas rodas terre ad Fewenehing, iacentes iuxta terram Ade filii Ricardi filii Cecilie; tenendas de capitali domino sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. [f. 72<sup>v</sup> blank.]

## [XII] [f. 73] CARTE NATIVORUM DE ESTON

### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF GREAT EASTON (LEICS.)<sup>1</sup>)

415. Grant by Richard son of Robert 'below town'<sup>2</sup> of Easton to Hugh son of Anthony Gerr' (cf. Ancelin Garr', no. 416) of Easton of 2 selions with pasture attached lying *Est-bedyk* (? 'east by the dyke'), between the land once held by Thomas of Billesdon and

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 424. The identification is confirmed by abundant indications in these charters—e.g. that Brighthurst (Leics.) lies immediately to the west of the village (no. 436, cf. 433). Great Easton lies in the south-east of Leics., near the borders of Rutland and Northants.

<sup>2</sup> Perhaps rather 'in the lower town', as is suggested by the alternative 'by Neyton' (? by the nether town).

Ralph Cussing's land, abutting on the meadow; and 1 selion on *Wyndmylnehil* between his own land and Adam of Billesdon's; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  (see no. 428).  
*Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti sub uilla de Eston dedit etc. Hugoni filio Antonii Gerr' de eadem duas seliones cum herbagio adiacente, que iacent Estbeyedyk (Hugo ad crucem<sup>1</sup>) inter terram quam Thomas de Billesdon tenuit et terram quam Radulphus Cussing tenet, et abuttat (*sic*) super pratum; et unum selionem iacentem super Wyndmylnehil (Johannes Cussyng<sup>1</sup>) inter terram suam et terram quam Adam de Billisdon tenet; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* In 19 Abbot Richard (1293-4) 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres acquired by Robert Pacy and Emma his wife were taken into the abbot's hands (no. 424). They had been acquired by five charters (evidently nos. 418-22, which are title to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood), accompanied by two charters of the feoffees (presumably nos. 417, which must precede 418, and 423, which must precede 421 and 422, which are duplicates). All these charters, and no. 436,<sup>1</sup> must therefore be earlier than 1294, but not substantially earlier, and so can be dated to the second half of the 13th century. Like all the Easton documents except nos. 424-5, they have subinfeudation clauses, and so can be dated before 1290.

The three charters dealing with transactions preceding the enfeoffment of Robert and Emma (nos. 417, 423, 436) were evidently granted not long before, since the names of those neighbouring tenants who are referred to are the same. They were all granted by Richard son of Robert 'below town' of Easton, clearly to be identified with Richard son of Robert 'by Neyton' of Easton (nos. 427, 428, 430). He was grantor of nos. 415, 417, 423, 427, 428, 430-3, 435-6, and is mentioned in 434. No. 415 is a part of the same transaction as 428 and 430-1 are included in 435; and the other documents are further linked by references to Thomas of Billesdon (nos. 415 ('tenuit'), 417, 428, 435, also 418-19—'tenuit'), Ernald by the *Brok* (428, 435), John of Dummer (417, 423, 427, 434, also nos. 418, 421-2), Ralph Gerard (430, 432, 435, also 420), Ralph Hobyn (428, also 420), Walter Hubert (417 (?), 433, 436, also 418), William Noreys (430-2, 434-5), Isolda of Oakham (433, 436, also 418), Robert son of Oda (423, also 420-2), Thomas of Rothwell (432, also 420), Robert Shepherd (423, also 421-2), Richard and Simon Sywath (427, 435, also 419, 426), William son of Thomas (428, also 420), Adam in the Wro (428, 435). All these documents can be assigned to the second half of the 13th century—not later than 1290.

This leaves only four of the Easton charters undated. The donor of no. 416 may be the same as the donor of 434;<sup>2</sup> the properties were close to one another, and the documents have several names in common. William Colle links 425 with 427, Richard Smith 425 with 418 ('tenuit') and 436. Richard and Simon Sywath link 426 with 419, 427, 435. These three may also be tentatively dated with the rest of the series, save that 425 is probably after 1290; no. 429 can only be dated by its subinfeudation clause.

416. Grant by Peter son of Pelle (? Gelleminus)<sup>3</sup> of Easton to Ancelin Garr' (*al.* Gerr') of Easton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in *Aldeholm*, between the land of John Dummer<sup>4</sup> and of William son of Geoffrey, abutting on Caldecott hay; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$   
*c. second half of 13th century*

Item Petrus filius Pelle de Eston dedit etc. Ancelino Garr' de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in Aldeholm inter terram Johannis Dumer et terram Willelmi filii Galfridi, et abuttat super Caldecote hay; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis secularibus. Cum warentia et sine data. (Johannes Gerenter.<sup>1</sup>)

<sup>1</sup> No. 436 is connected with no. 418, and might itself be the charter referred to in no. 424. But the fact that nos. 417-23 form a group immediately before 424 confirms the identifications made in the text.

<sup>2</sup> In addition, Ancelin Garr' may be the Auncell', Antell' of nos. 431, 435, and the Anthony whose son occurs in nos. 415, 428.

<sup>3</sup> 'Pelle' seems to be corrupt, and there is a marked similarity of personal and place-names between nos. 416 and 434; it may therefore be suggested that the donor is the same in each case, 'Pelle' being a scribal error for 'Gell'. The precise relation between the plots of land in the two charters cannot be determined.

<sup>4</sup> He dates nos. 416-17 after 1254; he died in 1304 (P, p. 135 n.).

417. Grant by Richard son of Robert 'below town' of Easton to William (prob. for Walter)<sup>1</sup> Hubert of Corby, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Easton, lying in *Cliftherne* in the North field, between the land of John of Dummer of Easton and of Thomas of Billesdon of Easton, abutting at one end on *Coppemanheggate* and at the other towards *Tommor*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . *Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti sub uilla de Eston dedit etc. Willelmo<sup>1</sup> Hubert de Corby et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Eston, iacentem in Cliftherne in campo aquilonari de eadem inter terram Johannis de Dommer de eadem et terram Thome de Billesdon de eadem, unum capud abuttat super Coppemanheggate et aliud uersus Tommor; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data (Johannes Gerenter.<sup>1</sup>)

418. Grant without warranty by Walter Hubert of Rockingham to Robert Pacy and Emma Godyer his wife of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Easton, of which 1 acre lies on the west side of Easton between the land which Richard Smith held and the land which Isolda of Oakham held (see no. 436), and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at *Overclyftherne* between the land of John of Dummer and the land which Thomas of Billesdon held, abutting on *Coppemanheggate* (see no. 417); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . to the chief lord. *Before 1290*

Item Walterus Huberd de Rokyngham dedit etc. Roberto Pacy et Emme Godzger uxori sue unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Eston, unde una acra iacet ex parte [f. 73<sup>v</sup>] occidentali Eston inter terram quam Ricardus faber tenuit et terram quam Ysolda de Okam tenuit; et dimidia acra iacet apud Ouerclyftherne inter terram Johannis de Dommer et terram quam Thomas de Billesdon tenuit, et abuttat super Coppemanheggate; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim capitali domino unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Sine warentia et sine data. (On f. 73: Idem Johannes.<sup>1</sup>)

419. Grant by Richard Sywath of Easton to Robert Pacy and Emma his wife of 1 rood in the West field between the land of Sarah by Neyton and the land which William le Flyende held, abutting on *Westbrokys*; and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in the East field between Simon Sywath's land and the land which Thomas of Billesdon held; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . *Before 1290*

Item Ricardus Sywath de Eston dedit etc. Roberto Pacy et Emme uxori sue unam rodam terre iacentem in campo occidentali<sup>a</sup> inter terram Sarre by Neyton et terram quam Willelmus le Flyende tenuit, et abuttat super Westbrokys; et unam rodam et dimidiam iacentem in campo orientali inter terram Symonis Sywath et terram quam Thomas de Billesdon tenuit; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Idem Johannes.<sup>1</sup>)

420. Grant by Peter son of Ralph of Preston to Robert Pacy and Emma Godyer his wife of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  acres, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies *Estbedyk* between the land which Robert son of Oda holds and the land which Bartholomew Prest (? Priest) holds, abutting on the *Meduedik*; 1 rood lies beyond Caldecott *gate* between the land which Eliseus (Elisha) holds and the land which Ralph Gerard holds; 1 rood abuts on *Houdale gate*, lying between William Franceys's land and land which William Arketyl holds; 1 acre on *Flytlandis* between William Carter's land and the land of Amice of Hampton and her sister, abutting on *Kyngis gate*; 3 roods in *Oswoldicroft* between the land of William Carter and the land which Thomas of Rothwell holds, abutting on *Coppemanheggate*; and 1 rood lies at *Merihegg* between the land which William son of Thomas holds and the land which Ralph Hobyn holds; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of one rose and the services due to the chief lords. *Before 1290*

<sup>a</sup> ? de Eston missing.

<sup>1</sup> The property is evidently the same  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre as in no. 418, which suggests that 'William' is a mistake for 'Walter' (and cf. no. 436); but it is not impossible that the Walter of 418 and 436 was William's heir.

Item Petrus filius Radulphi de Preston dedit etc. Roberto Pacy et Emme Godzer de Eston tres acras terre et dimidiam<sup>a</sup> quarum una dimidia acra (Johannes Gerenter<sup>1</sup>) iacet Estbedyk inter terram quam Robertus filius Ode tenet et terram quam Bartholomeus Prest tenet, et abuttat super le Meduedik; et una roda iacet ultra Caldecotegate inter terram quam Eliseus tenet et terram quam Radulphus Gerard tenet; et una roda abuttat super Houdalegate et iacet inter terram Willelmi Franceys et terram quam Willelmus Arketyl tenet; et una acra iacet super Flytlondis inter terram Willelmi carectarii et terram Amicie de Hampton et sororis sue, et abuttat super Kyngisgate; et tres rode iacent in Oswoldiscroft inter terram Willelmi carectarii et terram quam Thomas de Rothewell tenet, et abuttat super Coppemanheggate; et una roda iacet apud Merihegg inter terram quam Willelmus filius Thome tenet et terram quam Radulphus Hobyn tenet; [f. 74] tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, faciendo inde annuatim capitalibus dominis feod(orum) seruicia debita, et sibi et heredibus suis unum florem rose ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

421. Grant by Robert Shepherd of Holt (? Leics.) to Emma daughter of Walter Godyer of Easton, her heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Easton on the *Longemor*, between John of Dummer's land on the west and Robert son of Oda's on the east, in exchange for 1 rood lying in Prestgrave *stort*, abutting on the abbot's park; to be held of himself and his heirs for the rents due to the lords of the fees.  
Before 1290

Item Robertus bercator de Holte dedit etc. Emme filie Walteri Godzer de Eston et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam acram terre iacentem in teritorio de Eston desuper le Longemor, inter terram Johannis de Dommer ex parte occidentali et terram Roberti filii Ode ex parte orientali, in escambium unius rode terre iacentis in Prestegraue *stort*, abuttantem (*sic*) super parcum domini abbatis; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim dominis feodorum redditus debitos. Cum warentia, sine data.

422. Grant by Robert Shepherd of Holt to Robert Pacy and Emma Godyer of Easton . . . (as no. 421).  
Before 1290

Item Robertus bercator de Holt dedit etc. Roberto Pacy et Emme Godzer de Eston unam acram terre in campis de Eston iacentem super le Longemor, inter terram Johannis de Dommer et terram quam Robertus filius Ode tenet, in escambium unius rode terre iacentis in Prestegraue *storte*, et abuttat super parcum domini abbatis; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim dominis feodorum seruicia debita et consueta, prout patet in carta inde confecta. Cum warentia, sine data.

423. Grant by Richard 'below town' of Easton to Robert Shepherd of Holt, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Easton on the *Longemor* . . . (described as in no. 421), abutting on the headland of William Godyer to the south; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ .  
Before 1290

Item Ricardus sub uilla de Eston dedit etc. Roberto bercario de Holt et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam acram terre in campis de Eston iacentem desuper le Longemor inter terram Johannis de Dommer ex parte occidentali et terram Roberti filii Ode ex parte orientali, unum capud abuttans super foreram Willelmi Godzer uersus australem; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis secularibus. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> The parcels add up to 3 acres, and so an item must be missing (cf. no. 424, which confirms the total given here).



424. Note on the five charters (nos. 418-22) by which Robert Pacy of Easton, Leicestershire, and Emma Godyer, villeins of the abbot, acquired  $6\frac{1}{2}$  acres and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood in Easton for themselves and their heirs; and two charters to their feoffors (nos. 417, 423). The land was taken into the abbot's hand in full court at Easton in 1293-4 (see note to no. 415). 1293-4

Item hic sunt quinque carte per quas Robertus Pacy de Eston [f. 74<sup>v</sup>] in comitatu Leycestrie et Emma Godzer natiui abbatis de Burgo adquisiuerunt vj acras et dimidiam et dimidiam rodam terre in Eston, sibi et heredibus suis; et due carte feoffatorum dictorum Roberti et Emme Godzer supra dicte (*sic*); que quidem terra capta est in manu domini abbatis, anno domini Ricardi abbatis decimo nono, in plena curia tenta apud Eston anno supradicto.

425. Grant by William Colle of Easton to Richard Smith of Easton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the North field of Easton at the *Redelond*, between Henry atte *Brok*'s land on the south and Richard's own land on the north, abutting to the west on *Plottesgate* and to the east on the road to Holyoaks (Leics.);<sup>1</sup> to be held of the chief lords for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . After 1290

Item Willelmus Colle de Eston dedit etc. Ricardo fabro de Eston unam dimidiam acram in campo boreali de Eston, que quidem dimidia acra iacet apud le Redelond inter terram Henrici atte Brok ex parte australi et terram predicti Ricardi ex parte boreali, et abuttat in capite occidentali super Plottesgate, in capite uero orientali super uiam ducentem uersus Halioc; habendam de capitalibus dominis feodi, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum quadrantem ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

426. Grant by Richard Sywath of Easton to Simon Sywath his brother and Emma his wife of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Easton, lying between Hugh le Norreys's land on the west and his own land on the east, abutting at one end on *Houdalegate* and at the other on the land of Robert son of Geoffrey; to be held of himself and his heirs for a rent of  $\frac{3}{4}d$ . every alternate year.

c. second half of 13th century

Item Ricardus Sywath de Eston dedit etc. Symoni Sywath fratri suo et Emme uxori sue unam rodam et dimidiam terre in campo de eadem, que iacet inter terram Hugonis le Noreys ex parte occidentali et terram suam ex parte orientali; unum capud abuttat super Houdalegate et aliud super terram Roberti filii Galfridi;<sup>a</sup> habendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde quolibet altero anno obolum et quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

427. Grant by Richard son of Robert by *Neyton* of Easton to Simon Sywath of Easton of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in Easton, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies in the North field on *Onhou* between the land of Hugh son of Sarah and of Walter Pleyaunt, and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in the West field on *Wytehyl* between the land of John of Dummer and of William Colle; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . Second half of 13th century

Item Ricardus filius Roberti by Neyton de Eston dedit etc. Simoni Sywath de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre et unam rodam terre et dimidiam in campo de Eston, scilicet dimidia acra iacet in campo boreali super Onhou inter terram Hugonis filii Sarre et terram Walteri Pleyaunt; et una roda et dimidia in campo occidentali super Wytehyl inter terram Johannis de Dummer et terram Willelmi Colle; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde [f. 75] annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> que iacet . . . Galfridi] *The MS. transposes these clauses, and reads unum capud . . . Galfridi, que iacet . . . orientali.*

<sup>1</sup> A lost village near Great Easton, now represented by Holyoaks Lodge (W. G. Hoskins, *Essays in Leics. History*, Liverpool, 1950, pp. 85-86, and map facing p. 72).

428. Grant by Richard son of Robert by *Neyton* of Easton to Hugh son of Anthony Garr' of Easton of 2 selions with pasture attached in the East field *Estbedyk*, between the land of Thomas of Billesdon and of Ralph Cussing, abutting on the meadow dyke of Easton; 1 selion containing  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods in the East field, lying on *Wyndmilnehyll* between his own land and Adam of Billesdon's; 2 selions in the West field on *Gallokyrhil* between the land of Anthony Garr' and of Adam in the Wro, abutting on *Caldewellesike*, with pasture attached; 2 selions in the West field lying on *Paynottisbutes* between the land of William son of Thomas and of Gunnilda Walkote, abutting on the headland of Ernald by the *Brok*; 1 selion in the North field in *Stoniwelleslade* between the land of John son of the reeve and of Stephen of Rothwell, abutting on the royal road;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the North field in *Coppemanheggate* between his own land and Ralph Hobyn's; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. (see no. 415).

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti by Neyton de Eston dedit etc. Hugoni filio Antonii Garr' de eadem duos seliones cum (campo<sup>e</sup>) herbagio adiacente iacentes in campo orientali Estbedyk, inter terram Thome de Billesdon et terram Radulphi Cussing, et abuttant super fossum prati de Eston, et unum selionem qui continet unam rodam et dimidiam in campo orientali, iacentem super Wyndmilnehyll inter terram suam et terram quam Adam de Billesdon tenet; et duos seliones in campo occidentali iacentes super Gallokyrhil inter terram Antonii Garr' et terram Ade in le Wro, et abuttant super Caldewellesike cum herbagio adiacente; et duos seliones in campo occidentali iacentes super Paynottisbutes inter terram Willelmi filii Thome et terram Gunnilde Walkote, et abutta(n)t super foreram Ernaldi iuxta le Brok; et unum selionem iacentem in campo boreali in Stoniwelleslade inter terram Johannis filii prepositi et terram Stephani de Rothewell, et abuttat super uiam regiam; et duas partes unius dimidie acre in campo boreali iacentes in Coppemanheggate inter terram suam et terram Radulphi Hobyn; tenenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

429. Grant by Geoffrey son of Hugh Pachet of Prestgrave<sup>1</sup> to Ralph Reeve of Prestgrave of 4 selions in Prestgrave by the *Menigate* on the east, of which 1 lies between the *Menigate* and the land of Ralph Herberd of Medbourne, and 2 lie between the *Menigate* and the land of John lord of Holt; and the 4th lies at their heads and extends on *Wambeleye*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1 lamb.

Item Galfridus filius Hugonis Pachet de Prestegraue dedit etc. Radulpho preposito de eadem quatuor seliones terre in campo de Prestegraue iuxta le Menigate ex parte orientali, quorum unus iacet inter le Menigate et terram Roberti Herberd de Medburne; et duo iacent inter le Menigate et terram Johannis domini de Holte; et quartus ad capita illorum et extendit super Wambeleye; habendos de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum agnum ad Pascha pro omnibus [f. 75<sup>v</sup>] seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Any time before 1290; probably within the 13th century, since the holding is minutely described.

430. Grant by Richard son of Robert by *Neyton* to William son of Geoffrey Norreys of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the North field of Easton by *Tommor*, between the land of Ralph Gerard and of William Norreys; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$  d. (see no. 435).

*Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti by Neyton dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi Norreys unam dimidiam acram terre in campo boreali de Eston iuxta Tommor, inter terram Radulphi Gerard et terram Willelmi Norreis; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>1</sup> A lost village in Leics., which lay south-east of Great Easton (Hoskins, loc. cit.).

431. Grant by Richard son of Robert by *Neyton* of Easton to William son of Geoffrey Norreys of Easton of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre in Easton on *Flitlondis*, between the land of John the vicar and of Auncell' (see no. 415 n.), abutting on the royal road; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. (see no. 435).  
*Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti by Neyton de Eston dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi Norreys de eadem unam dimidiam acram terre in campis de Eston iacentem super Flitlondis, inter terram Johannis uicarii et terram Auncell' et abuttat super uiam regiam; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

432. Grant by Richard son of Robert 'below town' of Easton to William son of Geoffrey Norreys of the same, his heirs and assigns, of 3 roods in Easton, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre (i.e. 2 roods) lies at *Wodesty* between the land of Ralph Gerard and of John Reeve, and 1 rood in *Osewardiscroft* between the land of Thomas of Rothwell and his own land, abutting to the west on *Estmerishauedlond* and at the other end on *Coppemanheggate*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d.  
*Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti sub uillam de Eston dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi Norreys de eadem, heredibus suis et assignatis, tres rodas terre in campis de Eston, quarum dimidia acra iacet apud Wodesty inter terram Radulphi Gerard et terram Johannis prepositi; et una roda iacet in Osewardiscroft inter terram Thome de Rothewell et terram suam, cuius capud occidentale abuttat super Estmerishauedlond et aliud capud super Coppemanheggate; habendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum quadrantem ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

433. Grant by Richard son of Robert 'below town' of Easton to Walter Hubert of Corby, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the West field of Easton, lying between the land of Isolda of Oakham on the north and his own land on the south, abutting at one end towards Bringhurst cross and at the other towards the vill(age);<sup>1</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d.  
*Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti sub uillam de Eston dedit etc. Waltero Hubert de Corby et heredibus suis uel assignatis unam dimidiam acram in campo occidentali de Eston, que iacet inter terram Ysolde de Ocham ex parte aquilonari et terram suam ex parte australi; unum capud abuttat uersus crucem de Brynghirst et aliud capud uersus uillam de eadem; habendam de se et de [f. 76] heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum quadrantem ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

434. Grant by Peter son of Geleminis of Easton to William son of Geoffrey le Norreys, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Easton, being part of an acre which Peter bought from Richard son of Robert by *Neyton* of Easton in *Aldeholm*, between the land of John of Dummer and of Roger le Bonde, abutting at one end on Caldecott hay; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. (cf. no. 416).  
*Second half of 13th century*

Item Petrus filius Gelemini de Eston dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi le Norreys, et heredibus suis uel assignatis, unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de Eston, de una acra terre quam Petrus emit de Ricardo filio Roberti by Neyton de eadem iacente in Aldeholm, inter terram Johannis de Dommer ex una parte et terram Rogeri le Bonde ex altera, cuius unum capud abuttat super Caldecotehay; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde

<sup>1</sup> The text is ambiguous. 'Uilla de eadem' should strictly refer to Bringhurst; but Easton is probably meant: cf. no. 436.

annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

435. Grant by Richard son of Robert 'below town' of Easton to William son of Geoffrey Norreys of the same of 2 acres and 1 rood in Easton, of which  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre lies . . . (as no. 430);  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre . . . (as no. 431, but reads 'the land which Antell' held');  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre on *Stonlondis* by the land of Richard son of Geoffrey Sywath, abutting on *Unlauegate*;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the West field between the land of Easton church and of Ernald by the *Brok*, abutting on the *Longemor*; and 1 rood lying at *Brokelesdale*, by (?) *Hernoldismor*, between the land of Walter son of Boun (*sic*) and of Thomas of Billesdon, abutting at one end on Antell' Garr's headland (cf. no. 415, n., &c.) and at the other on Adam in le Wro's headland; to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti sub uilla de Eston dedit etc. Willelmo filio Galfridi Norreys de eadem duas acras et unam rodam terre in campis de Eston, quarum quidem una dimidia acra iacet in campo boreali iuxta Tommor inter terram Radulphi Gerard et terram Willelmi le Norreys; et una dimidia acra iacet super Flytlondis inter terram Johannis uicarii et terram quam Antell' tenuit, et abuttat super uiam regiam; et una dimidia acra iacet super Stonlondis iuxta terram Ricardi filii Galfridi Sywath, et abuttat super Unlauegate; et una dimidia acra iacet in campo occidentali inter terram ecclesie de Eston et terram Ernold by ye Brok, et abuttat super le Longemor; et una roda iacet ad Brokelesdale que abuttat<sup>a</sup> iuxta Hernoldismor inter terram Walteri filii Boun et terram Thome de Billesdon, unum capud abuttans super foreram Antelli Garr' et aliud super foreram Ade in le Wro; habendas de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

436. Grant by Richard son of Robert 'below town' of Easton to Walter Hubert of Corby, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre in Easton in the West field, between the land of Richard Smith of Easton and of Isolda of Oakham, abutting at one end towards Easton vill(age) and at the other towards Bringhurst cross; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . (cf. no. 433). *Second half of 13th century*

Item Ricardus filius Roberti sub uilla de Eston dedit etc. Waltero Hubert de Corby et heredibus suis uel assignatis [*f. 76<sup>v</sup>*] unam acram terre in territorio de Eston in campo occidentali de eadem, iacentem inter terram Ricardi fabri de eadem ex una parte et terram Ysolde de Ocham ex altera, unum capud abuttans uersus uillam de eadem et aliud capud uersus crucem de Brynghirst; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi, heredibus suis uel assignatis, unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. [*f. 77 blank.*]

### [XIII] [*f. 77<sup>v</sup>*] CARTE NATIVORUM DE UNDELE

#### (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF OUNDLE)

437. Quit-claim by William son of Simon son of Walter of Oundle to Abbot Richard (1274–95) and the convent of his hereditary rights in all his lands and holdings, i.e. those which were once held by Walter son of Macheфриd (*al.* Matheфриd) of Oundle, between the holding of Macheфриd son of Warin of Oundle on the east and the holdings of Roger son of Nugel (? for Nigel) of the same on the west, with an annual rent of 6*d.* from the same arable and meadow land, i.e. from Geoffrey Makehayth 1*d.*, from Ralph Barlik 1*d.*, from Robert Cecilesone 1*d.*, from Nicholas Smith 1*d.*, from Ralph Parchment-maker 1*d.*, from Richard Spicer  $\frac{1}{2}d$ ., and from Juliana widow of John Fychyoun  $\frac{1}{2}d$ .; the holdings with rents to be held without any reservation. 1274–95

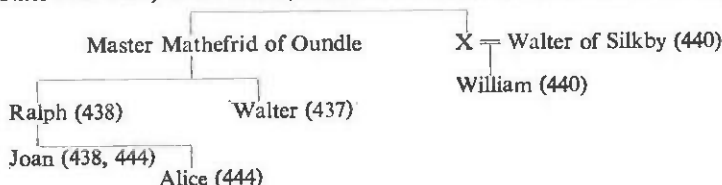
<sup>a</sup> *sic, probably for iacet (or for iuxta read super).*

Item Willelmus filius Symonis filii Walteri de Undele remisit et quietum clamauit etc. domino Ricardo abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentui totum ius et clamium quod (habuit) nomine hereditatis in omnibus terris et tenementis suis, que quidem terre et tenementa et prata aliquo tempore fuerunt Walteri filii Machefridi de Undele, inter tenementum Machefridi filii Warini de eadem uersus orientem et tenementum Rogeri filii Nugelli de eadem uersus occidentem, una cum redditu annuali sex denariorum de predictis terris et pratis exeunte, scilicet de Galfrido Makehayth unum denarium ad Pascha, de Radulpho Barlik *jd.* ad eundem terminum, de Roberto Cecilestone *jd.* ad Pascha, de Nicholao fabro *jd.* ad Pascha, de Radulpho percamenatore *jd.* ad Natale Domini, de Ricardo speciario (*jd.*) *ob.* ad Pascha, et de Juliana relicta quondam Johannis Fychyoun unum obolum ad Pascha; tenenda predicta tenementa cum redditibus sine ullo retenemento. Sine warentia et sine data. (Pro *j* diuisa Thomas de la Bigging tenet ut creditur et reddit *ijd.*, uide reddituale.<sup>1</sup>)

438. Quit-claim by Joan daughter of Ralph son of Mathefrid of Oundle in free widowhood to the abbot and convent of her rights in one building in Oundle between the holding once Ralph Matefrey's (i.e. son of Mathefrid) and the holding once Geoffrey Osebern's (i.e. son of Osbern: cf. no. 444); to be held in free alms. c. 1274-95

Item Johanna filia Radulphi filii Matefridi de Undele in legia uiduitate sua dedit etc. et quietum clamauit domino abbati et conuentui de Burgo totum ius et clamium quod habuit in uno edificio in uilla de Undele, quod situm est inter tenementum quod Radulphus Matefrey quondam tenuit ex una parte et tenementum quondam Galfridi Osebern ex altera parte; tenendum et habendum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* This may be a quit-claim of the same property as no. 444; and in any case the donor was a widow in both. From nos. 437-8, 440, and 444, the following pedigree can be deduced (we presume that the two Mathefrids of no. 437 are different men. It is not impossible that the other Mathefrid, son of Warin, is the Master Mathefrid of Oundle of no. 440).



(A Matefridus Barlig of Oundle occurs in 1284, ChP, p. 68.)

439. Grant in free alms by Simon son of Richard le Feuere<sup>1</sup> of Oundle to William son of Geoffrey of Oundle and Agnes his wife, for the maintenance of a candle before the altar of St. Mary in Oundle church, of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre in Oundle on *Netherwell* towards Stoke (Doyle), between the land of Laurence atte Cross to the south and of Richard of Odell<sup>2</sup> to the north; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$ d. Before 1290

Item Symon filius Ricardi le Feuere de Undele dedit etc. pro salute anime sue et antecessorum in puram et perpetuam elemosinam Willelmo filio Galfridi de Undele et Agneti uxori sue, ad sustinendam unam candelam coram altare<sup>2</sup> gloriose Uirginis Marie in ecclesia de Undel, unam dimidiam acram terre in campo de Undele super Netherwell uersus Stoke, inter terram Laurencii ad crucem uersus [*f.* 78] austrum et terram Ricardi de Wahulle

<sup>2</sup> Or cere altari.

<sup>1</sup> i.e. *le fèvre*, the smith.

<sup>2</sup> Odell or Woodhill (Beds.) was often spelt 'Wahull' or the like in the middle ages; the name derives from wād-hyll, woad-hill.

uersus boriā; tenendam etc. de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Pascha pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* No. 442 shows that the three charters 439-41 are earlier, but presumably not much earlier than 1294; they all have subinfeudation clauses, and so can be placed before 1290.

440. Grant by Master Mathefrid of Oundle to William of Paris and William of Verdun brothers, sons of William son of Geoffrey, clerk, of Oundle, of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Oundle in the *Nethereflet* between the land of Thomas Forester and of William Reeve, abutting at one end on the abbot's land called *Overflitt*,<sup>1</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of one rose, and  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  to William son of Walter of Silkby his nephew. *Before 1290*

Item Magister Matefridus de Undele dedit etc. Willelmo de Parys et Willelmo de Uerdoun fratribus, filiis Willelmi filii Galfridi clerici de Undele, unam dimidiam acram terre iacentem in campo de Undele in le *Nethereflet* inter terram Thome forestarii et terram Willelmi prepositi, et unum capud lanceat super terram domini abbatis que uocatur *Ouerflet*; tenendam de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum florem rose ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste, et Willelmo filio Walteri de Silkeby nepoti suo unum obolum argenti ad eundem terminum pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Willelmus de Houeden tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

441. Quit-claim by Edith widow of Henry of Turvey of Oundle in free widowhood to William and William his brother, sons of William son of Geoffrey of Oundle, of her rights in  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Oundle on *Peselond* by the villein holding which David Quarel held on the north, abutting on *Northmedwehaueden* to the east; and also the rights in all her meadow land in the meadow in Oundle called *Penymedwe* which she had by grant of William son of Geoffrey their father, and which was once held by Henry of Turvey her husband, by grant and feoffment of John Fychioun of Oundle; to be held of herself and her heirs for an annual rent to herself, her heirs and assigns, of  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  for the arable land, and of  $1d.$  to the heir of John Fychioun and to herself and her heirs one clove for the meadow. *Before 1290*

Item Edusa relicta Henrici de Turueye in Undele in pura uiduitate sua remisit et quietum clamauit Willelmo et Willelmo fratri suo, filiis Willelmi filii Galfridi de Undele, totum ius et clamium quod habuit in una dimidia acra terre in campis de Undele iacente super *Peselond* iuxta terram rusticam quam David Quarel tenuit ex parte boreali, et lanceat super *Northmedwehaueden* uersus orientem; et eciam totum ius et clamium quod habuit in toto prato suo in prato de Undele quod uocatur *Penymedwe* de dono Willelmi filii Galfridi patris eorum, quod quidem pratum fuit quondam Henrici de Thurueye mariti sui, de dono et feoffamento Johannis Fychioun de Undele; tenenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum quadrantem ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste uidelicet pro predicta terra, et heredi Johannis Fyschioun unum denarium [*f. 78<sup>v</sup>*] ad Natale Domini pro predicto prato, et sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum gariofli ad eundem terminum pro eodem prato pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 78*: Alias uocatur *Inhom*. Willelmus Lyneden tenet.<sup>1</sup>)

442. Note on the three charters (nos. 439-41) by which William and William abbot's villeins and sons of William son of Geoffrey of Oundle, abbot's villein, bought of free men free arable and pasture in Oundle, which was taken into the abbot's hands in 1293-4 because it was his villeins who had acquired it; and subsequently granted to them to hold at will for  $\frac{1}{4}d.$  of new rent. *1293-4*

Item hic sunt tres carte per quas Willelmus et Willelmus natiui abbatis filii Willelmi filii Galfridi de Undele natiui eiusdem emerunt de liberis hominibus liberam terram et pratum in Undele, et que capte sunt in manu domini

<sup>1</sup> Cf. *P.N. Northants.*, p. 289.

Ricardi abbatis anno eiusdem uicesimo, eo quod natiui sui ea adquisierunt, et postea eisdem tradita est, tenenda ad uoluntatem domini, soluendo per annum eidem de nouo redditu obolum.

443. Grant indented, without warranty, by William le Beaumys of Crowthorp<sup>1</sup> by Oundle in the county of Northampton to the abbot and convent and their successors of the right of damming and repairing the water-course to their mill in Oundle on his land in Crowthorp,<sup>2</sup> as they shall see fit for the convenience of the mill, without claim or hindrance from himself or his heirs; on condition that the abbot and his successors claim nothing on the same land save this right, and that the abbot and convent and their successors may work in his meadow to dam and preserve the water-course, so long as the meadow does not suffer by flooding, in which case the damage shall be put right at the expense of the abbot and convent.

Item Willelmus le Beaumys in Crowethorp iuxta Undele in comitatu Northampton concessit per indenturam abbati et conuentui de Burgo Sancti Petri et eorum successoribus quoddam aysiammentum obstruendi et reparandi cursum aque ad molendinum suum in Undele super solum<sup>a</sup> suum in Crowethorp, prout commodius pro commodo molendini sui predicti uiderint expedire, sine calumpnia uel impedimento sui uel heredum suorum imperpetuum; ita quod predictus abbas et successores sui nichil exigere uel clamare poterunt in predicto solo suo nisi tantummodo aysiammentum predictum, et quod liceat predictis abbati et conuentui et eorum successoribus in solo prati sui ibidem manu operari ad obstructionem et defencionem cursus aque predictae pro comodo sui molendini predicti, dum tamen per exitum aque dampnum ibidem non eueniat prato suo, quod si contingat ad sumptus predictorum abbatis et conuentus emendetur. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Probably late 13th or early 14th century; an indenture of this kind is unlikely to be earlier.

444. Quit-claim by Joan and Alice daughters and heirs of Ralph son of Mathefrid of Oundle in free widowhood to Abbot Richard of London (1274-95) and the convent of their rights in a building<sup>3</sup> with appurtenances in the vill(age) of Oundle, lying between the holding once John of Kimbolton's on the south and of Geoffrey son of Osbern on the north (cf. no. 438). 1274-95

Item Johanna et Alicia filie et heredes Radulphi filii Matefridi de Undele in legia uiduitate earum remiserunt<sup>b</sup> [f. 79] et quietum clamauerunt<sup>c</sup> domino Ricardo de London' abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentui totum ius et clamium earum<sup>d</sup> quod habuerunt in una placea cum pertinenciis in uilla de Undele, que sita est et edificata inter tenementum quod Johannes de Kynebauton quondam tenuit ex parte australi et tenementum Galfridi filii Oseberti ex parte boriali; habendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data. (Istud mesuagium tenet Robertus de Croiland ex dimissione nostra, et est quidem taberna et reddit iij s., et non irrotulatur; et cognouit per factum suum nullum aliud ius se posse clamare nisi ex dimissione per rotulum curie.)<sup>4</sup> [f. 79<sup>v</sup> blank.]

<sup>a</sup> solium (?) MS.

<sup>b</sup> remisit MS.

<sup>c</sup> clamauit MS.

<sup>d</sup> eorum MS.

<sup>1</sup> A lost hamlet which lay near Oundle South Bridge (*P.N. Northants.*, p. 214).

<sup>2</sup> The various forms of 'suus' are ambiguous—they can refer both to grantor and recipient. The version given above seems dictated by the context.

<sup>3</sup> 'placea' can mean a building or the ground on which it is built (as in no. 450) or any open space (cf. 'green' in nos. 448, &c.: see 446 n.); but only a building can be 'sita et edificata'.

<sup>4</sup> 'Robert of Crowland holds this messuage by our demise; it is an inn and pays 4s. rent, and is not enrolled; and he has recognized that he can claim no other right save from demise by court roll'.

[XIV] [*f.* 80] CARTE NATIVORUM DE SCOTERE

(CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF SCOTTER (LINCS.))

445, 474.<sup>1</sup> Grant by Ralph son of Robert (son of Fulk) of Scotter to Hugh son of Robert Wibalda of Scotter, clerk, of his toft in the vill(age) of Scotter which he held by inheritance from Robert his father, with all the buildings, save that part which his mother Rose held in dowry; and 18 selions with two gores (strips) in Scotter in the following parcels: [1] 1 selion on *Cranhou* by the land of Benedict Auger on the south; [2] 1 selion on *Langethornehille* by the land of Walter Ede (? for Ode) on the east; [3] 1 selion on *Hauerholme* by the land of Geoffrey Reeve on the north; [4] 1 selion on *Suddale* by the land of the same Geoffrey on the west; [5] 1 selion on *Milnedam* by the land of Alice widow of William Gamel on the north; [6] 1 selion on *Watelondes* by the land of Benedict Auger on the east; [7] 1 selion on *Cot of the dyk* by the land of Geoffrey Reeve on the east; [8] 1 selion lies on *Messingham gate* by the land of Henry Keken on the north; [9] 1 selion on *Plowakersike* by the land of Geoffrey Reeve on the east; [10] 1 selion on *Nontestighes* by the land of the same Geoffrey on the north; [11] 1 selion on *Blakmylde* by the land of the same Geoffrey on the south; [12] 1 selion on *Langethornhille* by the land of Herbert son of Roger on the east; [13] 1 selion on *Scotton holme* by the land of William Astin on the west; [14] 1 selion on *Mirethorn* by the land of Geoffrey Reeve on the south; [15] 1 selion on *Lyneholme* by the land of the same Geoffrey on the east; [16] 1 selion on *Scumpthorngate* by the land of Alice in the Lane on the west; [17] 1 selion on *Plowakersik* by the land of Herbert son of Roger on the west; [18] and 1 selion on *Hauerholme* by the land of Goscelin in *Uestholme* with two gores (strips) on the north; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to the abbot of 2d. c. 1250-84

Memorandum quod<sup>a</sup> Radulphus filius Roberti<sup>b</sup> de Scotere dedit etc. Hugoni filio Roberti Wybalde de Scotere clerico<sup>c</sup> toftum suum in uilla de Scotere (in Scarebyd (?) lane ubi uxor Ade Wisli (?) manet)<sup>2</sup> quod habuit<sup>d</sup> ex hereditate dicti Roberti patris sui, cum omnibus<sup>e</sup> edificiis, preter illam partem quam Rosa mater sua tenuit nomine dotis sue,<sup>e</sup> et octo decim seliones terre<sup>f</sup> cum duobus garis sicut iacent in campis de Scotere in partibus subscriptis:<sup>g</sup> quorum unus selio iacet super *Cranhou*<sup>h</sup> iuxta terram Benedicti Auger ex parte australi; et unus selio iacet super *Langethornhille* iuxta terram Walteri Ede ex parte orientali; et unus selio iacet super *Hauerholme* iuxta terram Galfridi prepositi ex parte aquilonari; et unus selio iacet super *Suddale* iuxta terram dicti Galfridi ex parte occidentali; et unus selio iacet super *Milnedam* iuxta terram Alicie quondam uxoris Willelmi Gamel ex parte aquilonari (inquire<sup>i</sup>); et unus selio iacet super *Watelondes* iuxta terram Benedicti Auger ex parte orientali; et unus selio iacet super *Cot of the dyk* iuxta terram Galfridi prepositi ex parte orientali; et unus selio iacet super *Messinghamgate* iuxta terram Henrici Keken ex parte aquilonari; et j selio iacet super *Plowakersike* iuxta terram Galfridi prepositi ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super *Nontestighes*<sup>i</sup> iuxta terram dicti Galfridi ex parte aquilonari; et j selio iacet super *Blakmylde* iuxta terram dicti Galfridi ex parte australi (inquire<sup>i</sup>);

<sup>a</sup> Memorandum quod Item 474. 474 does not include the additions and cancellations noted in the text; a few words here and there towards the end are illegible in 474. <sup>b</sup> 474 adds filii Fulconis. <sup>c</sup> 474 adds totum. <sup>d</sup> quod habuit in uilla de S. 474. <sup>e</sup> om. omnibus, sue 474. <sup>f</sup> terre arabilis 474. <sup>g</sup> sicut-subscriptis om. 474. <sup>h</sup> 474 has the following variants in field-names: *Cranhou*, *Langethornhill*, *Hauerholm*, *Muddale* (445, 450 read *Muddale* corr. to *Suddale*), *Watelondes*, *Cot of [th]e dik*, *[Mes]singhamgate*, *Plotakersik* (but cf. no. 454), *Blake[m]ylde* (?), *Langethornhill*, *Scottonholm*, *Lyneholm*, *Scumthornegate*, *Plot[aker]sijk*, *Hauerholm*, *Westholm*. <sup>i</sup> or *Noutestighes*.

<sup>1</sup> Nos. 445 and 474 are identical (for variants see textual notes); no. 450 contains nos. 1-8, with the following noteworthy differences in the descriptions of the parcels: 1. 'between the land of Benedict Auger on the south and of William son of Robert on the north'; 2. 'between the land of Walter Ode (*sic*) on the west and of Robert Fauvel on the east'; 3. 'between the land of Geoffrey Reeve on the south and of Herbert in *Segges* on the north'; 6. 'between the land of Benedict Auger on the west and of William son of Robert on the east'; 7. 'between the land of Geoffrey Reeve and of Herbert Tanner'; 8. 'between the land of Henry Bedel on the north and of Henry Keken on the south'. In the discrepancies in nos. 3 and 8, the reading of no. 450 seems preferable.

<sup>2</sup> 'In *Scarebyd* (?) scare-bird Lane where Adam Wisli's (?) wife (i.e. widow) lives.'



et j selio iacet super Langethornhille iuxta terram Herberti filii Rogeri ex parte orientali (inquire<sup>i</sup>); et j selio iacet super Scotunholme iuxta terram Willelmi Astin ex parte occidentali;<sup>a</sup> et j selio iacet super Mirethorn(hille<sup>c</sup>) iuxta terram<sup>b</sup> Galfridi prepositi ex parte australi; et j selio iacet super Lyneholme iuxta terram dicti Galfridi ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super Scumpthorngate iuxta terram Alicie in le<sup>c</sup> Lane ex parte occidentali; et j selio iacet super Plowakirsik iuxta terram Herberti filii Rogeri ex parte occidentali; et j selio iacet super Hauerholme iuxta terram Goscelini<sup>d</sup> in Uestholme [f. 80<sup>v</sup>] cum duobus garis ex parte aquilonari (uocantur Rosegaris<sup>i</sup>); habendos de se et de heredibus suis,<sup>e</sup> reddendo inde<sup>b</sup> annuatim<sup>b</sup> abbati de<sup>f</sup> Burgo duos denarios pro omnibus seruiciis.<sup>g</sup> Cum warentia et sine data.<sup>h</sup>

*Date.* Nos. 445, 447-50, 452-4, 456-7, 474, and 474a represent the archive of Hugh Wibalda, whose lands were granted away after his death in no. 457—2 January 1284/5. He can hardly have died later than December 1284, and most of these charters probably belong to the third quarter of the 13th century. Goscelin of *Westholm* occurs in the Surveys, as does Robert (son of) Wibalda, Hugh's father.

Between no. 450 and no. 445 the rent has been transferred to the abbot; it may be part of the rents of 14*d.* granted by the donor to the abbot in a charter in Swa, f. 161.

446. Grant by William son of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Robert Brand of Scotter of 1 selion in *Auerholme*, between the land of William Knight on the west and of Walter son of Sarah on the east; and 1 piece of meadow in *Warinsploulond* at *Drydele*; and 1 piece of meadow in *Noreprato* (? north meadow) in *Uarinsploulond*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1 clove. c. 1256-90

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto Brant de Scotere unam selionem terre in Auerholme, iacentem inter terram Willelmi militis (Willelmus Knyght<sup>i</sup>) ex parte occidentali et terram Walteri filii Sare ex parte orientali; et unum locum prati in Warinsploulond atte Drydele sicut iacet in longitudine et in latitudine; et unum locum prati in Noreprato in Uarinsploulond sicut iacet in longitudine et in latitudine (inquire; Willelmus Gay (?) liber tenet<sup>i</sup>); tenenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum gilofery ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* A number of these documents relate to the affairs of the family of Green or 'de Placea'. Comparison of nos. 454 and 455 proves the identity of these names—'placea' here serves as the Latin of 'green'. Richard of the Green occurs in 1256-7 (no. 455; no. 454 is presumably some years later than this). He was the son of Robert and Beatrice, and so the document (no. 452) in which Beatrice, as widow, makes a quit-claim to Hugh Wibalda (cf. no. 445) can be dated mid 13th century. Robert and Richard of the Green—possibly Robert's father—occur in the Surveys (as also Fulk son of Gamel, possibly the Fulk of nos. 445, &c., see below, no. 460). Richard's widow Alice occurs in no. 453 (after 1256), and their son William in nos. 446, 448-9, 456, 460-2, 464-5, 467-8. Of these, nos. 448-9, 456 are grants to Hugh Wibalda, and can be dated before 1284; 446, 462, 464-5, 467-8 have subinfeudation clauses and can be dated before 1290.

447. Quit-claim by Amice wife of Roger of Messingham to Hugh son of Robert Wibalda, clerk, of all the rent in the vill(age) and fields of Messingham which she was demanding from Hugh and Benedict her (?) brother as her dowry. c. 1250-84

Item Amicia uxor Rogeri de Mesingham concessit et quietum clamauit totum redditum Hugoni filio Roberti Wybalde clerico, quem exiebat de predicto Hugone et Benedicto fratre suo nomine dotis sue, in uilla et in campis de Mesyngham. Sine warentia, sine data.

<sup>a</sup> 474 places this selion after the selion super Lynholm. <sup>b</sup> om. 474. <sup>c</sup> the 474.  
<sup>d</sup> Goscelyn 474. <sup>e</sup> de se—suis] sibi et heredibus suis 474. <sup>f</sup> abbati de 474] de (abbati)  
 (inserted here in error) 445. <sup>g</sup> etc. 474. <sup>h</sup> (Terra Carun) 474.

448. Grant by William son of Richard son of Robert of the Green of Scotter to Hugh son of Robert Wibalda of the same, clerk, of 2 selions in Scotter, of which 1 selion lies on Middle furlong in *Croft*<sup>1</sup> by the land of William Present on the south and of Ralph Northiby<sup>1</sup> on the north, and 1 selion by the land of William Present on *Langelondis* on the north; and 1 bovat of meadow lying together on *Norhenge*;<sup>2</sup> to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1 clove. c. 1256-84

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi filii Roberti de Placea de Scotere dedit etc. Hugoni filio Roberti Wybalde de Scotere clerico duos seliones terre in campis de Scotere, quorum unus selio iacet super Middelforlang in *Croft* iuxta terram Willelmi Present ex parte australi et terram Radulphi Northiby ex parte aquilonari, et unus selio iacet iuxta terram Willelmi Presant super *Langelondis* ex parte aquilonari; et unam bouatam prati iacentem insimul super *Norhenge* (Willelmus Gay<sup>1</sup>); tenenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum giloferi pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (Ista carta continetur in alia.<sup>1</sup>)

449. Grant by William son of Richard son of Robert of the Green of Scotter to Hugh son of Robert Wibalda of the same, clerk, of 9 selions in Scotter, of which 1 selion lies on Middle furlong in *Crofte* by the land of William Present on the south; 1 selion at *Langelondis* by the land of the same William on the north; 1 selion on *Estbraken* by the land of Henry in the Lane on the west; 1 selion on *Suthebraken* by the land of the same Henry on the north; 1 selion on *Hauerholm* by the land of Martin Wibald(a) on the east; 1 selion on *Messingham gate* by the land of Robert son of Benedict on the south; 1 selion on *Thornolhornhille* by the land of William son of Odo on the east; 1 selion on *Ernamhow* by the land of Henry in the Lane on the north; 1 selion on *Durnsdrak*; also 1 bovat of meadow lying together on *Norhenge*, and 3 pieces of meadow lying adjacent on *Suthengge* in the place called *Wro*; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of 1 clove (see nos. 448, 456). c. 1256-84

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi filii Roberti de Placea de Scotere dedit etc. Hugoni filio Roberti filii Wybalde de eadem clerico ix seliones terre in campis de Scotere (terra Carun<sup>1</sup>), quorum unus selio iacet super Middelforlong in *Crofte* (supra<sup>1</sup>) iuxta terram Willelmi Present [*f. 81*] ex parte australi; et unus selio iacet super *Langelondis* iuxta terram dicti Willelmi ex parte aquilonari; et unus selio iacet super *Estbraken* iuxta terram Henrici in le Lane ex parte occidentali; et j selio iacet super *Suthebraken* iuxta terram dicti Henrici ex parte aquilonari; et j selio iacet super *Hauerholm* iuxta terram Martini Wybald ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super *Mesynghamgate* iuxta terram Roberti filii Benedicti ex parte australi; et unus selio iacet super *Thornolhornhille* iuxta terram Willelmi filii Odonis ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super *Ernamhow*, iuxta terram Henrici in le Lane ex parte aquilonari; et j selio iacet super *Durnsdrak* (Durant aker<sup>1</sup>); et unam bouatam prati iacentem insimul super *Norhenge*; et tria loca prati (Swathes<sup>1</sup>) insimul iacentia super *Suthenge* in loco quod uocatur *Wro*; habenda de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum giloferi pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

450. Grant by Ralph son of Robert son of Fulk of Scotter to Hugh son of Robert Wibalda of the same, clerk, of a plot of land on his toft in the vill of Scotter, with the buildings on it, 1½ perches wide to the north—the perch counting 20 ft.—and extending in length from the royal road to the field on the west, and 8 selions in Scotter . . . (see no. 445 and note 1); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 2d. c. 1250-84

Item (Robertus filius<sup>2</sup>) Radulphus filius Roberti filii Fulconis de Scotere dedit etc. Hugoni filio Roberti Wibalde de eadem clerico quandam placeam particularem tofti sui in uilla de Scotere, cum edificiis in eadem placea fundatis,

<sup>1</sup> Possibly from 'Northiby', i.e. 'north in by' (the village), in Collingham (Notts.) (*P.N. Notts.*, p. 203; cf. *P.N. Elements*, i. 70).

<sup>2</sup> The grants here listed are also included in no. 449. Cf. no. 462.

continentem latitudinem unius pertice et dimidie uersus aquilonem, et extendit se in longitudine a uia regia usque ad campum uersus occidentem—et sciendum quod pertica continet in se uiginti pedes; et viij seliones terre sicut iacent in campis de Scotere, quorum unus selio iacet super Cranhow inter terram Benedicti Aunger ex parte australi et terram Willelmi filii Roberti ex parte aquilonari; et j selio super Langethornhille inter terram Walteri Ode ex parte occidentali et terram Roberti Fauuel<sup>1</sup> ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super Hauerholme inter terram Galfridi prepositi ex parte australi et terram Herberti in Segges<sup>a</sup> ex parte aquilonari [*f. 81<sup>v</sup>*]; et j selio iacet super Suddale<sup>a</sup> iuxta terram Galfridi prepositi ex parte occidentali; et j selio iacet super Milnedamme iuxta terram Alicie quondam uxoris Willelmi Gamel; et j selio iacet super Watelondes inter terram Benedicti Aunger ex parte occidentali et terram Willelmi filii Roberti ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super Cote-of-the-dyk inter terram Galfridi prepositi et terram Herberti tanatoris; et j selio iacet super Mesynghamgate inter terram Henrici Bedell<sup>7</sup> ex parte aquilonari et terram Henrici Kyken ex parte australi; habenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis duos denarios ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 81: Ista carta continetur in alia.*<sup>2</sup> Inquire.<sup>1</sup>)

451. Grant by Robert atte Green of Scotter to Martin of Scotter, his heirs and assigns, of 2 selions in Scotter, of which 1 selion lies on *Westmer'land* between the land of Warin atte Churchgate and of Roger of *Westholm*, and 1 selion in the East field by the land of William son of Gerard to the south; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}d$ . *Before 1257*

Item Robertus ad Placeam de Scotere dedit etc. Martino de Scotere et heredibus suis uel assignatis duos seliones terre iacentes in campo de Scotere, quorum j selio iacet super *Westmer'land* inter terram Warini ad portam ecclesie et terram Rogeri de *Westholm*, et j selio iacet in campo orientali iuxta terram Willelmi filii Gerardi austrum; tenendos de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* No. 455, a lease by the donor's son to the recipient (for whom, see p. lxii and no. 459 n.) of the present charter, is dated 1256-7. Warin atte Churchgate and William son of Gerard occur in the *Surveys*.

452. Quit-claim by Beatrice widow of Robert of the Green of Scotter to Hugh son of Robert Wibalda of the same, clerk, of her rights in 4 selions in Scotter, her holding in 1 bovate of the land of Robert of the Green of Scotter, which she had as dowry.

*Mid 13th century*

Item Beatrix quondam uxor Roberti de Placea de Scotere dedit etc. et quietum clamauit Hugoni filio Roberti Wybalde de eadem clerico totum ius et clamium quod habuit in quatuor selionibus terre in campis de Scotere, quos tunc tenet de una bouata terre quam habuit nomine dotis in uilla de Scotere, ex terra Roberti de le Place de Scotere etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

453. Quit-claim by Alice widow of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Hugh Wibalda of Scotter of her dowry rights in all her lands with appurtenances which Richard her late husband granted to Hugh.

*After 1256*

Item Alicia quondam uxor Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere concessit et quietum clamauit Hugoni Wybald de Scotere totum ius et clamium quod habuit nomine dotis in tota terra sua, cum pertinenciis, quam Ricardus quondam uir suus eidem dedit. Sine warentia, sine data.

<sup>a</sup> Megges . . . Muddale before correction.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 393.

<sup>2</sup> i.e. in no. 445 (= 474).

454. Grant by Richard son of Robert of the Green of Scotter to Hugh son of (Robert) Wibalda of Scotter, clerk, of 2 acres in Scotter, of which 1 acre lies at *Hundewell* by the land of Odo of Scotter towards the south;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in the same place by the land of Henry son of Benedict towards the south; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre at *Plowacresyke* by the land of Wibald(a) on the west; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent to himself and his heirs of  $\frac{1}{4}d$ . After 1256

Item Ricardus filius Roberti de la Place de Scotere dedit etc. Hugoni filio (Roberti) Wybalde de Scotere clerico duas acras terre iacentes in campis de Scotere, quarum una acra iacet apud Hundewell (terra Carun; inquire!) [f. 82] iuxta terram Odonis de Scotere uersus austrum; et dimidia acra iacet ibidem iuxta terram Henrici filii Benedicti uersus austrum; et alia dimidia acra iacet apud Plowacresyke iuxta terram Wybald<sup>1</sup> ex parte occidentali; habendas de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum obolum ad Natale Domini pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Most of this land is also granted in no. 455: since these charters seem to be part of the Wibalda archive, presumably the grant to Hugh Wibalda (no. 454) was later than the demise to Martin of Scotter (no. 455). It can hardly be as much as twenty years later, so one presumes that the demise was subsequently cancelled. The impression one receives from these documents is that the Green family were short of money and so had to sell off their land piece by piece; and no. 455 in any case looks like a demise to secure a debt owed by the donor to a local merchant (Martin occurs as merchant and abbey tenant in the Surveys; cf. no. 460 n.). It may be that Hugh Wibalda paid the debt for Richard of the Green as part of the purchase price of this land. A similar story may explain the presence of no. 451 in this collection.

455. Demise<sup>1</sup> for twenty harvests by Richard son of Robert of the Green of Scotter to Martin merchant of Scotter of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Scotter at *Hundewelle*, i.e. 1 acre by the land of Odo of Scotter to the south (see 454) and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre . . . (as 454); to be held of himself and his heirs. 1256-7

Item Ricardus filius Roberti de la Grene de Scotere dimisit et confirmauit Martino mercatori de Scotere usque ad terminum uiginti uesturarum unam acram et dimidiam terre in teritorio de Scotere apud Hundewelle, scilicet j acram iacentem iuxta terram Odonis de Scotere uersus austrum; et dimidiam acram iacentem ibidem iuxta terram Henrici filii Benedicti uersus austrum; habendam de se et de heredibus suis (reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis<sup>2</sup>). Cum warentia, data apud Scotere anno regni regis Henrici filii regis Johannis xl primo.

456. Grant by William son of Richard son of Robert of the Green of Scotter to Hugh son of Robert son of Wibalda of Scotter, clerk, of 6 selions of arable, and one bovat and 3 pieces of meadow in Scotter . . . (identical with no. 449, but omitting the last three selions described there). c. 1256-84

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi filii Roberti de Placea de Scotere dedit etc. Hugoni filio Roberti filii Wybalde de Scotere clerico sex seliones terre in campis de Scotere, quorum j selio iacet super Middelforlong in Crofte iuxta terram Willelmi Presant ex parte australi; et j selio iacet super Langelondes iuxta terram Willelmi Present ex parte aquilonari; et j selio iacet super Estbraken iuxta terram Henrici in Lane ex parte occidentali; et j selio iacet super Suthbraken iuxta terram dicti Henrici ex parte aquilonari; et j selio iacet apud Kareuel<sup>a</sup> iuxta terram Martini Wybald<sup>1</sup> ex parte orientali; et j selio iacet super Mesinghamgate iuxta terram (Roberti) filii Benedicti ex parte australi; et unam bouatam prati iacentem insimul<sup>b</sup> super Northege; et tria loca prati insimul iacencia super Suthehege<sup>c</sup> in loco quod uocatur Wro; habenda de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum gylofery pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data. (Terra Carun.<sup>1</sup>)

<sup>a</sup> sic for Hauerholm.  
for the error).

<sup>b</sup> insimil MS.

<sup>c</sup> Muchehege MS. (cf. nos. 449 and 450, &c.

<sup>1</sup> See no. 339.

457. Grant by Abbot Richard of London to Ralph Carham and his heirs of a toft, 24 acres of arable, and 2 acres of meadow lying in parcels, which Hugh Wibalda held of his fee in Scotter, of which Hugh died seised and which escheated to the abbot by his death; also one-third part of a toft and of a bovate containing  $5\frac{1}{2}$  acres of arable and meadow which Rose widow of Robert Fuke (i.e. son of Fulk) held in dowry in their<sup>1</sup> fee in Scotter and which escheated to them; to be held for an annual rent to the abbot of 10s. for all services save forinsec service of the king and suit of court; on condition that neither he nor his heirs can give, sell, mortgage, or alienate the messuages, buildings, lands, or meadows to any other person save to themselves or their successors.

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Item Ricardus de London' permissione diuina abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri dedit, confirmauit Radulpho Car(un) et heredibus suis unum toftum [*f. 82<sup>v</sup>*] cum uiginti quatuor acris terre et duabus<sup>a</sup> acris prati per particulas iacentibus, que Hugo Wybaud tenuit de feodo suo in uilla de Scotere, de quibus dictus Hugo obiit seisitus et que per mortem ipsius Hugonis ad illum nomine escate (*sic*) deuenerunt; et terciam partem tofti et unius bouate terre continentem quinque acras terre et dimidiam terre et prati, que Roysia que fuit uxor Roberti Fuke tenuit in dotem de feodo eorum in Scotere, et ad eos nomine eschate deuenerunt; tenenda et habenda etc., reddendo inde annuatim abbati et successoribus eorum (*sic*) decem solidos sterlingorum ad quatuor anni terminos pro omni seruicio, saluo forinseco seruicio domini regis et secta curie; ita quod nec ipse nec heredes sui dicta mesuagia, edificia, terras uel prata seu aliquam partem ipsorum possint dare, uendere, inuadiare seu alicui persone extranee alienare, preter quam eis uel successoribus eorum. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum in crastino Circumsicionis Domini anno eiusdem MCC octogesimo quarto.

458. Quit-claim by Robert son of Gilbert Miller of Scotter to Ralph of Carham, his heirs and assigns, of his rights in one-third part of that toft and bovate with appurtenances, which Rose of Scotter his mother held as dowry in the vill(age) of Scotter, with which Ralph son of Robert Fuke enfeoffed his father Gilbert.

c. 1285

Item Robertus filius Gilberti molendinarii de Scotere concessit et quietum clamauit Radulpho de Carun et heredibus suis uel assignatis totum ius et clamium quod habuit in tercia parte tofti illius et illius bouate terre cum pertinenciis, quam Rosa de Scotere mater sua tenuit quondam nomine dotis in uilla de Scotere, uidelicet in illa tercia parte in qua Radulphus filius Roberti Fouke feoffauit predictum Gilbertum patrem suum. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* This was clearly the dowry of Rose mother of Ralph son of Robert Fuke (son of Fulk), specifically excluded from no. 445 but added to the grant made to Ralph of Carham in 1285 in no. 457; no. 458 clearly secures the grant made by the abbot in 457. No. 445 shows that Rose had been wife of Robert son of Fulk. Apparently she subsequently married Gilbert Miller, but continued to hold her dowry, with which her second husband was duly enfeoffed by the son of her first.

459. Quit-claim by Matilda widow of William Hardi of Scotton in free widowhood to the abbot and convent and their successors of her dowry and other rights in all her lands and holdings with appurtenances, which she was claiming against the abbot, Ralph of Carham, Simon Tanner, and Robert Brand in Scotter and Scotton in the county of Lincoln, on which a plea was levied in the king's court.

c. 1285-95

Item Matilda relicta Willelmi Hardi de Scotton dedit et quietum clamauit in libera uiduitate sua abbati et conuentui de Burgo Sancti Petri et eorum successoribus totum ius et clamium quod habuit, tam nomine dotis quam

<sup>a</sup> duobus MS.

<sup>1</sup> According to no. 474a this charter was a grant from the abbot alone, without the convent's consent. This would account for the shift from singular to plural: both the scribe of the original charter and of this MS. would be confused in the handling of a charter from the abbot alone using formulae devised to cater for a joint grant by abbot and convent.

aliunde, in omnibus terris et tenementis suis cum pertinentiis que petebat uersus abbatem, Radulphum de Carun, Symonem tannatorem et Robertum Brond in [f. 83] Scotere et Scotton in comitatu Lyncoln', unde placitum motum fuit in curia domini regis. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* It seems reasonable to suppose that Matilda had some claim on the Green property, of which two at least of the defendants acquired a considerable share; if so, it must be later than the grant to Ralph of Carham in 1285. Since Ralph flourished in the 1280's and Robert Brand in the 1280's or earlier, it is unlikely to be very much later, and no. 474a implies that Ralph of Carham died in the time of Abbot Richard, i.e. before 16 August 1295. William Hardi was the son of Martin of Scotter (he granted to Abbot Robert (1263-74) a messuage and buildings in Scotter; and Lucy, Martin's widow, quit-claimed them: Swa, ff. 45v-46). Presumably nos. 451 and 455 above are part of the grounds for the claim by Matilda (Martin's daughter-in-law) to a part of the Green property.

460. Note on the seven charters (nos. 462-8) by which Robert Brand of Scotter, abbot's villein,<sup>1</sup> bought 20 selions of arable and 11 *andones* (swathes) of meadow from free men of Scotter; and one charter (no. 461) by which William son of Richard of the Green, who sold the land to Robert, quit-claimed his rights, &c. for a new rent to the abbot of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. and 1 clove per annum;<sup>2</sup> also that the meadow bought from Ralph son of Rose<sup>3</sup> of Scotter pays 8d. per annum of the 3s. which are accounted for under the heading 'rents of assise' (i.e. fixed rents), which the heir of Robert son of Fulk used to pay, as is noted in the rental.

Item hic continentur vij carte per quas Robertus Brond de Scotere natiuus abbatis de eadem emit<sup>a</sup> uiginti seliones terre, xj andones prati, in campis de Scotere de liberis hominibus de eadem; et una carta per quam Willelmus filius Ricardi de la Grene qui dictam terram uendidit predicto Roberto<sup>b</sup> et quietum clamauit totum ius suum, seruicium et redditum domino<sup>c</sup> abbati de Burgo reddidit sibi per annum j ob. et j clauum gilofery de nouo redditu; et sciendum quod pratum emptum de Radulpho filio Rose (?) de Scotere soluit per annum viij d. qui continentur intra<sup>d</sup> iij solidos qui ponuntur capite redditus assise et quos heres Roberti filii Fulconis solebat reddere, prout continetur in reddituali.

461. Quit-claim by William son of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Robert Brand of Scotter, his heirs and assigns, of his rights in all the arable and meadow land with appurtenances, which Robert held of him in Scotter, as in Robert's charter of enfeoffment; to be held of the abbot of Peterborough for an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. and 1 clove. c. 1256-90

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere concessit et omnino quietum clamauit Roberto Brond de Scotere et heredibus suis uel assignatis totum ius et clamium quod habuit in tota terra et prato cum omnibus pertinentiis, quam idem Robertus aliquando de se tenuit in uilla de Scotere, sicut continetur in carta feoffamenti, quam<sup>e</sup> de se habet; tenendum de domino abbate<sup>f</sup> de Burgo, reddendo inde annuatim domino abbati de Burgo et successoribus suis unum obolum ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste et unum clauum gariofli ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Sine warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> MS. *adds* de.

<sup>b</sup> Ricardo MS.

<sup>c</sup> domini MS.

<sup>d</sup> infra MS.

<sup>e</sup> quas MS.

<sup>f</sup> abbati MS.

<sup>1</sup> Though a villein, Robert Brand was evidently a man of substance: in no. 466 he is described as a merchant (cf. Martin the merchant of Scotter (nos. 451, 455), who appears among the villeins in the Surveys, but cf. p. lxii). This note shows that the Fulk family and the Green family were freemen.

<sup>2</sup> The text is confused and may be corrupt at this point; but the charters themselves leave no doubt of the meaning.

<sup>3</sup> Or 'Rogeri'; but the reading in the text must be correct, since the charter in question was no. 466, and it is confirmed by the reference to Robert son of Fulk, who was Rose's first husband. The rental referred to, which evidently ascribed the 3s. to Robert or his heir, must be later than the Black Book Surveys, in which the following entries occur (ff. 197v, 199v): 'Fulco filius Gamel tenet unum toftum et j bouatam terre pro ijs. per annum libere, et pro terra acramannorum (of villeins) xij d. pro omni seruicio per cartam conuentus'; 'Fulco filius Gamel ij bouatas et j toftum pro ijs. libere'.

*Date.* The charters to Robert Brand, nos. 461-8, all have subinfeudation clauses except 461, and all clearly date from before 1290. The donor of all but two is William of the Green (for whose dates cf. no. 446 n.); that of no. 463 was presumably his brother (unless 'Robertus' is a slip of the pen for 'Willelmus'); that of no. 466, Ralph son of Robert son of Fulk, lived in the third quarter of the century and perhaps later (cf. no. 445, &c.).

462. Grant by William son of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Robert son of Brand of the same, his heirs and assigns, of 2 selions in Scotter, of which 1 lies at *Foxgraue* between the land of Ralph Northiby and of William Present, and 1 at *Marketwell* between the land of William son of Odo and of William Present; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent to himself, his heirs and assigns, of 1 clove (cf. no. 448). c. 1256-90

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto filio Brand de eadem et heredibus suis uel assignatis duos seliones terre iacentes in campis de Scotere, uidelicet unus selio iacet apud *Foxgraue* inter terram Radulphi Norhyby et terram Willelmi Present; et unus selio iacet apud *Marketwell* inter terram Willelmi filii Odonis et terram Willelmi Present; habendos de [f. 83<sup>v</sup>] se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis unum clauum gariofli ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data. (*On f. 83: Uxor Willelmi Brand tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

463. Grant by Robert<sup>1</sup> son of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Robert Brand of 6 selions in Scotter, i.e. 1 selion at *Hilboldmar*<sup>a</sup> by the land of Henry Reeve;<sup>a</sup> 1 selion at *Schakelholmemar*<sup>a</sup> by the land of Williams on of Odo; 1 selion at *Sandegatewell* by the land of Ralph Northiby; 1 selion at *Hillertres* by the land of William son of Odo; 1 selion at *Scotundoneholme* by the land of Henry of the Lane; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 1 clove. c. 1256-90

Item Robertus filius Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto Brand sex<sup>a</sup> seliones terre in territorio de Scotere, uidelicet j selio apud *Hilboldmar*<sup>a</sup> iuxta terram Henrici prepositi; et j selio apud *Schakelholmemar*<sup>a</sup> iuxta terram Willelmi filii Odonis; et apud *Sandegatewell* iuxta terram Radulphi Northiby j selio; et apud *Hillertres* iuxta terram Willelmi filii Odonis j selio; et apud *Scotundoneholme* iuxta terram Henrici de la Lane j selio; habendos de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus uel assignatis suis unum clauum gariofli ad festum Natalis Domini pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. (*Eadem tenet.*<sup>1</sup>)

464. Grant by William son of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Robert son of Brand of the same of 6 *andones* (swathes) of meadow, fit to mow, in the ploughland of Odo of Scotter, in Scotter, in the following parcels: 3 *andones* in the *Wro* towards the south, 1½ at the cross, 1½ at *Eleredayl*; to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1 clove. c. 1256-90

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto filio Brande de eadem sex *andones* prati falcabilis in plouland Odonis<sup>b</sup> de Scotere in territorio eiusdem uille, iacentes in *partibus subscriptis*: in le *Wro* uersus austrum tres *andones*; c apud *crucem* j *andonem*<sup>c</sup> et *dimidiam*; apud *Eleredayl* j *andonem*<sup>c</sup> et *dimidiam*; tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum clauum gilofery ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

<sup>a</sup> The parcels add up to 5 selions.

<sup>b</sup> added in MS. <sup>c</sup> Each of these words is marked with an a in the MS. Over the first line of no. 465 is a b, of 467 a c, and of 468 a d.

<sup>1</sup> See note to no. 461.

<sup>2</sup> A Henry Reeve occurs in the Surveys, holding 3 bovates.

465. Grant by William son of Richard on the Green of Scotter to Robert son of Brand of the same, his heirs and assigns, of 2 selions in Scotter, of which 1 selion lies at *Southbraken* between the land of William son of Odo and of William Present and 1 selion at *Haukhil* between the land once Henry in the Lane's and the land of Ralph Northiby: 1½ *andonas* of meadow at *Lineholm* in *Warineploulond*; 1 selion at *Hauerholm* by the land of Ralph of Northiby; 1 selion at *Moregate* with a meadow at the head by the land of William son of Odo; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 1 clove (see no. 468). c. 1256-90

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi super le Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto filio Brand de eadem et heredibus suis uel assignatis duos seliones terre iacentes in campis de Scotere, uidelicet unus selio iacet apud Southbraken inter terram Willelmi filii Odonis et terram Willelmi Present; et j selio apud Haukhil inter terram quondam Henrici in le Lane et terram Radulphi Northiby; et j andonem et dimidiam prati apud Lineholm in Warineploulond; et j selionem apud Hauerholm iuxta terram Radulphi de Northiby; et j [f. 84] selio (*sic*) apud Moregate cum prato ad capud iuxta terram Willelmi filii Odonis (pratum tenet J. Launce); tenenda de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus uel assignatis suis unum clauum gariofili ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

466. Grant by Ralph son of Rose of Scotter to Robert son of Brand, merchant, of the same of 3½ *andonas* of meadow in the carrucates<sup>1</sup> of Henry Reeve and of William Astin on the meadow of Scotter, of which 1 *ando* lies at *Drydayle*, 1½ at *Elerdayle*, and one at the middle point in the meadows of *Meningflet* (corrected to *Seningflet*); to be held of himself and his heirs for an annual rent of 1 root of ginger. c. 1250-90

Item Radulphus filius Rose de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto filio Brande mercatori de eadem tres andonas (*sic*) prati et dimidiam iacentes in carucatis Henrici prepositi et Willelmi Astin in prato de Scotere; uidelicet unam andonem que iacet ad locum quod dicitur Drydayle; et j andonem et dimidiam ad locum quod dicitur Elerdayle; et aliam andonem que iacet ad medium locum in pratis de Meningflet (*Seningflet*<sup>1</sup>); tenendas de se et de heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis unum radicem gingebery ad festum Sancti Petri pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data.

467. Grant by William of the Green of Scotter to Robert son of Brand of the same of 3 selions in Scotter, of which 1 selion lies on *Arminscrofte* between the land of Ralph of Northiby and of Henry Miller; 1 selion on *Watelondes* between the land of Walter Sarlesone (? for Sarah's son) and of Henry son of Simon; and 1 selion on *Crofte* between the land of Ralph Northiby and of William Mange; to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 1 root of ginger. c. 1250-90

Item Willelmus de la Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto filio Brande de eadem tres seliones terre in campis de Scotere, quorum unus selio iacet super Arminscrofte inter terram Radulphi de Northiby ex una parte et terram Henrici molendinarii ex alia parte; et unus selio iacet super Watelondes inter terram Walteri Sarlesone (*sic*) et terram Henrici filii Symonis; et j selio iacet super Crofte inter terram Radulphi Northiby et terram Willelmi Mange; tenendos de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis j radicem 3in3ebery ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

468. Grant by William son of Richard of the Green of Scotter to Robert son of Brand of the same, his heirs and assigns, of 7 selions in Scotter, of which . . . (selions 1-4 as in no. 465<sup>2</sup>) the 5th selion lies at the *Buites* of Henry Carpenter between the land of Thomas

<sup>1</sup> 1 carrucate = 8 bovates; but in this context the word may be the equivalent of the English 'ploughland' (i.e. arable) in no. 464. For Henry Reeve cf. no. 463, n. 2.

<sup>2</sup> Except that for 'Suthbraken' no. 468 reads 'Howest braken' and it specifies that the meadow at the head of the 4th selion is ½ acre broad (*sic*).



Fauues (? for Fauuel) and of William Knyth (i.e. Knight); the 6th is a headland in *Hauerholm* by the land of William Knyth; the 7th on the *Northlanges* between the land of Thomas Fauuel and the land once Henry in the Lane's; 3 *andones* of meadow at *Lynholm*, extending towards the headland of Simon in the *Foxlant* (?); and 1½ *andones* . . . (as in no. 465); to be held of himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 1 clove. c. 1256-90

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi de la Grene de Scotere dedit etc. Roberto filio Brande de eadem et heredibus suis uel assignatis vij seliones terre in teritorio de Scotere, uidelicet unum super Howest braken inter terram Willelmi filii Odonis et terram Willelmi Presente; et j selio (supra<sup>1</sup>) iacet super Hauhyl inter terram quondam Henrici in le Lane et terram Radulphi Noryby; et j selio iacet super Hauerholm iuxta terram Radulphi Noryby; et j selio apud Moregate, cum prato [f. 84<sup>v</sup>] ad capud eius selionis, continente dimidiam acram in latitudine, iuxta terram Willelmi filii Odonis; et quintus selio a le Buttes Henrici carpentarii inter terram Thome Fauues et terram Willelmi dicti Knyth; et sextum (sic) uidelicet quoddam forarium in Hauerholm iuxta terram Willelmi Knyth; et septimum super le Northlanges inter terram Thome Fauuel et terram Henrici quondam in le Lane; et tres andones prati ad locum qui dicitur Lynholm, que extendunt se uersus forarium Simonis in le Foxlant (?); et j andonem et dimidiam ad Lineholm in Warinplougeland; tenenda de se et de heredibus suis uel assignatis, reddendo inde annuatim sibi et heredibus uel assignatis unum clauum gariofli ad Natale Domini pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia et sine data.

469. Grant by Thomas H(auk) of Scotter and Alice his wife to Sir Geoffrey Fage, chaplain, of Scotter, of 1 selion on *Langethornhille* between the land of Robert son of Matilda on the west and of Alexander Brand on the east, abutting at one end on *Snappgate* and at the other on the *Moregate*; to be held of the chief lords for the services due. ? c. 1301

Item Thomas H[auk] de Scotere et Alicia uxor sua unanimi assensu dederunt etc. domino Galfrido Fage capellano<sup>a</sup> de eadem j selionem super *Langethornhille* iacentem inter terram Roberti filii Matilde ex parte occidentali et terram Alexandri Brand ex parte orientali, et j capud abuttat super *Snappgate* et aliud super le *Moregate*; tenendum de capitalibus dominis, faciendo capitalibus dominis seruicia debita. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* Nos. 469-72 are all grants by Thomas Hauk to Geoffrey Fage. None of them has a subinfeudation clause,<sup>1</sup> and so they are presumably post 1290; the references to Robert Brand (cf. nos. 460-8) and Thomas Fauuel (cf. no. 468) suggest that nos. 470-1 are not very much later than 1290; and if they had been drawn up well into the 14th century, it is surprising that none of them is dated. No. 470 must be somewhat later than 473 (dated 1301), which presumably deals with the same property.

470. Grant by Thomas Hauk of Scotter to Sir Geoffrey Fage, chaplain, of the same, his heirs and assigns, of his toft and croft with buildings which he had by grant of Sir Hugh le Uenur, lying at the west end of the vill(age) of Scotter between the toft of Robert Brand on the west and the toft once Christian Tastard's on the east; also 3 perches of meadow in *Sny Intake*, between the meadow of Roger Forester on the north and the meadow of William of Scotton on the south; and 1 headland (*akerheued*) of meadow by the water (? river) on the north of the vill(age) of Scotter, between the meadow of Adam Roger on the north and the meadow of John Benet on the south; to be held of the chief lord for the service due. ? c. 1301 or later

Item Thomas Hauk de Scotere dedit etc. domino Galfrido Fage capellano de eadem et heredibus suis uel assignatis toftum suum et croftum cum edificiis superedificatis, quod habuit de dono domini Hugonis<sup>b</sup> le Uenur, iacentia ad occidentale capud uille de Scotere inter toftum Roberti Brand ex parte occidentali et toftum quondam Christiane Tastard ex parte orientali; nec non tres

<sup>a</sup> capellano Fage MS.

<sup>b</sup> Hugoni MS.

<sup>1</sup> This cannot be proved of no. 471, though it is highly probable.

perticatas prati in Sny Intake, iacentes inter [f. 85] pratum Rogeri forestarii ex parte boreali et pratum Willelmi de Scotton ex parte australi; et unum akereued prati iuxta aquam ex parte boreali uille de Scotere, iacens inter pratum Ade Rog(eri) ex parte boreali et pratum Johannis Benet ex parte australi; tenenda de capitali domino, reddendo inde capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Hugh le Uenur (Huntsman) was the donor of the land quit-claimed in no. 473, and although the land was there granted on a lease for life, it seems likely that the same land is referred to, and therefore that Alice wife of Thomas Hauk is the same as Alice daughter of Robert Benet. This would help to explain how no. 473 came to be in the collection. If this is right, no. 470 must be later than 473 (dated 1301), to allow time for Alice's husband to acquire full rights in the land.

471. Grant by Thomas Hauk of Scotter and Alice his wife to Sir Geoffrey Fage, chaplain, of Scotter, his heirs and assigns, of 1 selion on *Wateracre*, lying between the land of the rector of Scotter on the east and of Thomas Fauuel on the west; the service due to be rendered to the chief lord. ? c. 1301

Item Thomas Hauk de Scoter' et Alicia uxor sua unanimi assensu dederunt etc. domino Galfrido Fage capellano de eadem unum selionem super *Wateracre*, iacentem inter terram rectoris ecclesie de Scotere ex parte orientali et terram Thome Fauuel ex parte occidentali; tenendum et habendum dicto Galfrido et heredibus suis uel assignatis etc., r[edde]ndo inde annuatim capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum [ware]ntia et sine data.

472. Grant by Thomas Hauk of Scotter and Alice his wife to Sir Geoffrey Fage, chaplain, of Scotter, his heirs and assigns, of 1 selion at *Snappgate* between the land of the abbot and of Robert (on) the Clay; to be held of the chief lord for the service due. ? c. 1301

Item Thomas Hauk d[e] Scotere et Alicia uxor sua unanimi [assensu] ded[erunt] etc. domino Galfrido Fage capellano de eadem et heredibus suis uel assignatis j selionem apud *Snappgate* iacentem inter terram d[omini?] abbatis de Burgo ex una parte et terram Roberti [on?] ye Cley ex alia parte; tenendum de capitali domino, faciendo (?) capitali domino seruicium debitum. Cum warentia et sine data.

473. Quit-claim by Roger Chaplain, son of (Hugh) le Uenur of 'the same' (presumably Scotter) to Alice daughter of Robert Benet of the same, her heirs and assigns, of his hereditary rights in a toft with croft and  $\frac{1}{2}$  bovate appertaining to it, in Scotter, in and out of the vill(age), which had been granted by Hugh to Alice for her life; to be held of the chief lord for the service due. 4 July 1301

Item Rogerus capellanus filius [Hugonis] le Uenor (?) de eadem remisit et quietum clamauit Alicie filie Roberti Benett de eadem et heredibus suis et assignatis totum ius et clamium quod habuit nomine iuris aut hereditatis in uno tofto cum crofto et una dimidia bouata terre in teritorio de Scotere infra (sic) uillam et extra dicte terre pertinentibus, quem toftum cum terra dictus Hugo dedit (?) predictae Alicie ad terminum uite sue; tenendum et habendum de capitali domino, faciendo eidem seruicium debitum. Sine warentia, data apud Scotere die translacionis Sancti Martini anno Domini millesimo trecentesimo primo.

474. See no. 445.

474a. Note that in this charter (no. 474) and other charters preceding it are contained 28<sup>1</sup> acres in Scotter, which escheated to the abbey or were seized, because Hugh son of Robert Wibalda, who had been our villein, obtained them, and they were granted to Ralph

<sup>1</sup> ? for 26 (see no. 457).

Carham then warden of the manor of Scotter in the time of Abbot Richard by charter of the abbot (no. 457, q.v.), without the assent of the convent; Ralph Carham restored land and charters to the abbey on his deathbed, in the . . . year of abbot Richard (i.e. before 16 August 1295).<sup>1</sup>

In ista carta et in aliis cartis precendentibus continentur xxviii acre terre iacentes in campis de Scotere, et que fuerunt eschaeta nostra uel seisita, eo quod quidam Hugo filius Roberti Wybald' illam perquisiuit et fuerat natiuus noster et dat' Radulpho Carun tunc custodi manerii de Scotere tempore Ricardi abbatis per cartam ipsius abbatis, sine assensu conuentus; quas cartas et terram in lecto mortali reddidit et remisit<sup>a</sup> apud Burgum anno Ricardi abbatis . . .<sup>b</sup> (Inter expensas forinsecas.<sup>1</sup>)

# [XV] [f. 86] CARTE NATIVORUM DE WALKOTE

## (CHARTERS OF THE VILLEINS OF WALKOT<sup>2</sup>)

475. Grant by John of Bardney of Lea (Lincs.) son of Lettice Raynberd of Haythby<sup>3</sup> to John of Walkot, his heirs and assigns, of 4 selions in Walkot, of which 1 selion lies on the east side of Haythby, abutting on *Burresbek*; 1 selion at the east end of Haythby abutting on *Haythebigarches*, between the land of John in the Lane of Walkot and the land once Adam of Walkot's; 1 selion abuts on *Haithebygarches* and lies between the land of John in the Lane and land once held by the Templars; and 1 selion lies at *Hauerdale* in the *Argh'* on the south of Adam Cundy's land; also the holdings which John had of the inheritance of Lettice his mother; to be held of the chief lords for the due and customary services.

c. August 1333

Item Johannes de Bardeneye manens in Lee filius Leticie Raynberd de Haytheby dedit etc. Johanni de Walkote et heredibus suis et assignatis, quatuor seliones terre in campis de Walkote, prout iacent in diuersis locis, quorum unus selio iacet ex parte orientali de Haitheby, abuttans in Burresbek; unus selio iacet abuttans super Haythebigarches ad capud orientale de Haitheby, inter terram Johannis in ye Lane de Walkote et terram quondam Ade de Walkote; unus selio abuttat super Haithebygarches et iacet inter terram predicti Johannis in ye Lane et terram que quondam fuit Templariorum; et unus selio iacet apud Hauerdale in ye Argh' ex parte australi terre Ade Cundy; et que tenementa prefatus Johannes habuit de hereditate prefate Leticie matris sue; tenenda de capitalibus dominis pro seruiciis inde debitis et consuetis. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* No. 480, dated 15 August 1333, is a letter of attorney for livery of seisin of the property granted in the present charter.

476. Quit-claim with warranty by William son of Richard and heir of William Lovel of Burton to Matilda widow of Robert le Bakester of Haythby, his heirs and assigns, of his rights in 1 acre and 1 rood in Walkot (cf. 477-9), which Matilda had by grant and enfeoffment of Alice her mother, as is contained in Alice's charter (no. 479, dated 4 April 1316).

c. April 1316 or later

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi et heres Willelmi Louel de Burton dedit etc. et omnino quietum clamauit Matildi que fuit uxor<sup>c</sup> Roberti le Bakester de Haitheby, et heredibus suis uel assignatis, totum ius et clamium quod habuit in una acra (in dominico<sup>1</sup>) et una roda terre in campo de Walkote, quas eadem Matilda habuit de concessione et feoffamento Alicie matris sue, sicut in carta quam habuit de dicta Alicia matre sua continetur. Cum warentia, sine data.

<sup>a</sup> misit MS.

<sup>b</sup> Left blank in MS.

<sup>c</sup> uxori MS.

<sup>1</sup> He was alive on 27 Dec. 1289 (V2, f. 145).

<sup>2</sup> Walkot (Hall) in Southorpe (Lincs.) near the Humber.

<sup>3</sup> A lost village in West Halton (Lincs.), to the east of Walkot (on Haythby see M. Beresford, *Lost Villages of England* (London, 1954), pp. 331, 363).

477. Grant by Richard Copper (? Cooper) of Burton to William Lovel and Alice his wife of 1 acre and 1 rood in Walcot, of which  $1\frac{1}{2}$  roods lie on *Langelandes* between the land of Jocelin Scrop and land once held by Hugh del Clyf of Burton; 3 roods on *Langelondes* between the land of Jocelin Scrop and of Alfred Biscop; and  $\frac{1}{2}$  rood on *Burgesbek* between the land of the Templars and of the parson of Lea; to be held of the lords of the fee for an annual rent of  $3\frac{1}{2}d$ .  
c. 1290-1312

Item Ricardus dictus Copper de Burton dedit etc. Willelmo dicto Louel et Alicie uxori sue unam acram et unam rodam terre in territorio de Walkote, iacentes in diuersis locis, scilicet una roda et dimidia iacet super Langelandes inter terram Jocellini Scrop et terram (que) fuit quondam Hugonis del Clyf de Burton; et tres rode iacent super Langelondes inter terram Jocellini Scrop et terram Aluerdi Biscop; et dimidia [f. 86<sup>v</sup>] roda iacet super Burgesbek inter terram Templariorum et terram persone de Lee; tenendas de dominis feodi, reddendo inde annuatim dominis feodi tres denarios, obolum et quadrantem, ad duos terminos anni pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Before 479, when the same land was granted away by Lovel's widow, but presumably after 1290. The reference to the Templars should mean that the order was still in possession, which would give a *terminus ad quem* of 1312, when the Order was suppressed (they are 'quondam' tenants in nos. 475, 478-9).

478. Grant in free widowhood by Matilda widow of Robert Baker (al. the Bakester, modern Baxter) of Haythby to John son of John son of Richard of Walcot, his heirs and assigns, of 1 acre and 1 rood... (as 477<sup>1</sup>); to be held of the chief lords for the services due.  
29 September 1322

Item Matilda quondam uxor Roberti pistoris de Haytheby in pura uiduitate sua dedit etc. Johanni filio Johannis filii Ricardi de Walkote, heredibus suis et assignatis, unam acram et unam rodam terre in campis de Walkote, uidelicet una roda et dimidia iacet super Langelondis inter terram Joceami (?) Scroppe et terram Johannis in le Lane de Walkote; et tres rode iacent inter terram Walteri de Osgotby et terram quam Alueredus Biscop quondam tenuit; et dimidia roda iacet et abuttat super Burgesbeke inter terram quondam Templariorum et terram Roberti de Haitheby quondam persone de Lee; tenendas de capitalibus dominis per seruicia inde debita. Cum warentia, data apud Walkote die Sancti Michaelis archangeli anno domini millesimo trecentesimo uicesimo secundo.

479. Grant by Alice widow of William Lovel of Burton to Matilda widow of Robert the Bakester of Haythby, her heirs and assigns, of 1 acre and 1 rood (as 477-8<sup>2</sup>); to be held of the chief lords for the services due.  
4 April 1316

Item Alicia quondam uxor Willelmi Louel de Burton dedit etc. Matilde que fuit uxor Roberti le Bakester de Haytheby et heredibus suis uel assignatis suis, unam acram et unam rodam terre in campis de Walkote, unde una roda et dimidia iacent super Langelondes inter terram Symonis de le Pyt et terram Johannis in la Lane; et tres rode iacent super Langeslondes inter terram Walteri de Osgotby et terram quam Aluerdus Bis[co]p quondam tenuit; et dimidia roda iacens et abuttans super Boresbek inter terram quondam Templariorum et terram persone de Lee; tenendas et habendas de capitalibus dominis feodi per seruicia inde debita. Cum warentia, data apud Walkote die Dominica proxima post festum beate Marie Egiptiane anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Ed(wardi) nono.

<sup>1</sup> The tenants of adjacent property are given as: Joceam Scrop and John in the Lane of Walcot, Walter of Osgodby and Alfred Biscop ('quondam'), the Templars ('quondam'), and Robert of Haythby once parson of Lea.

<sup>2</sup> The tenants of adjacent property are given as: Simon of the Pit and John in the Lane, Walter of Osgodby and Alfred Biscop ('quondam'), the Templars ('quondam'), and the parson of Lea.

*Date.* According to the calendar in Lambeth MS. 198a (unfoliated), the feast of St. Mary of Egypt was celebrated at Peterborough on 9 April; but in 1316 9 April was Good Friday, and this dating clause seems inconceivable as a description of Easter Day. Our date is based on the assumption that the feast was on the normal date of 2 April.

480. Letters of attorney by John of Bardney of Lea son of Lettice Raynberd of Haythby to Roger of Gunness for livery of seisin to John of Walcot of 4 selions of land with appurtenances in Walcot, as in the charter of feoffment (no. 475). 15 August 1333

[f. 87] Item Johannes de Bardenay manens in Lee filius Leticie Reynbard de Haitheby fecit et loco suo constituit dilectum sibi in Christo Rogerum de Gunneys atornatum suum ad liberandum nomine suo Johanni de Walkote seisinam de quatuor selionibus terre cum pertinenciis in campo de Walkote, prout in carta feoffamenti, quam eidem Johanni inde fecit, plenius continetur, ratum et gratum habituram; qui quidem idem Rogerus in premissis nomine suo duxerit faciendum. Data apud Walkote die Dominica in festo Assumptionis Beate Marie Uirginis anno domini millesimo trecentesimo tricesimo tercio.

### [XVI] [f. 87<sup>v</sup>] DORNTHORP

(DANETHORPE (HILL) IN NORTH COLLINGHAM (NOTTS.))

481. Grant in free alms by Alice widow of Roger Deyncourt in free widowhood to the canons of Thurgarton<sup>2</sup> of all her land in Danethorpe and Collingham (Notts.), with tofts and all appurtenances (which she had by grant of Adam of Harthill, her father), and all her villeins—i.e. Thomas Clerk, Cecily atte Church, Walter son of Richard, William of Langford, Stephen son of Reginald, Stephen son of Stephen, John in the Stones, John son of Iolan (i.e. Julian), Stephen Crane, and Robert son of Malger with their families and chattels (for the service due from herself and Richard of Harthill her brother and their heirs to the chief lords for one-twelfth of a knight's fee). Probably before 1280

Omnibus hoc scriptum uisuris uel auditoris Alicia Deyncourt<sup>a</sup> quondam uxor Rogeri Deyncourt<sup>a</sup> salutem eternam in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra me in libera et ligia uiduitate et potestate mea concessisse, dedisse et hac presenti carta mea confirmasse, pro salute anime mee, antecessorum et successorum<sup>b</sup> meorum, Deo et ecclesie Beati Petri de Thurgerton<sup>a</sup> et canonicis ibidem Deo seruientibus totam terram meam in Dornthorp et Collingham, cum toftis et omnibus<sup>c</sup> pertinenciis suis,<sup>d</sup> et omnes natiuos meos cum sequelis et catallis eorum, scilicet Thomam clericum cum sequela et catallis suis, Ceciliam ad ecclesiam cum sequela et catallis suis, Walterum filium Ricardi cum sequela et catallis suis, Willemum de Landeford cum sequela et catallis suis, Stephanum filium Reginaldi cum catallis suis et sequela sua, Stephanum filium Stephani cum sequela et catallis suis, Johannem in le Stones cum sequela et catallis suis, Johannem filium Jolani cum sequela et catallis suis, Stephanum Crane cum sequela et catallis suis, Robertum filium Malgeri cum sequela et catallis suis; tenenda et habenda supradictis canonicis et eorum successoribus sine aliquo retenemento in liberam et perpetuam elemosinam in perpetuum. Et ego uero predicta Alicia et heredes mei totam predictam terram etc.,<sup>e</sup> et ad maiorem huius rei securitatem hanc cartam<sup>f</sup> sigilli mei munimine roborauimus. Hiis testibus etc.<sup>g</sup>

<sup>a</sup> de Ayncourt . . . Thurgarton T. <sup>b</sup> antecessorum et successorum MS. et antecessorum T.  
<sup>c</sup> T omits omnibus. <sup>d</sup> T adds que habui de dono Ade patris mei. <sup>e</sup> Et ego uero . . . etc.  
 MS. Faciendo inde seruicium pro me et heredibus meis et pro domino Ricardo de Herthill<sup>1</sup> fratre meo et pro heredibus suis capitalibus dominis predicti Ricardi, quantum pertinet ad duodecimam partem feodi unius militis pro omnibus seruiciis, consuetudinibus, exactionibus et demandis michi et heredibus meis pertinentibus. T. <sup>f</sup> hanc cartam MS. tradidi eisdem canonicis cartam feofacionis mee una cum confirmatione dicti Ricardi fratris mei et hoc scriptum T. <sup>g</sup> etc.  
 MS. dominis Ricardo et Roberto de Hertehill<sup>1</sup>, Gerardo de Sutton, etc. T.

<sup>1</sup> See P.N. Notts., p. 203.

<sup>2</sup> An Augustinian priory in Notts.

*Text:* also in Southwell Minster, MS. 3 (Thurgarton Cartulary), f. 40 (T), evidently from a different original, accompanied by a grant to Alice of the property as a marriage portion from her father Adam of Harthill, confirmed by her brother Richard of Harthill, and the same Richard's confirmation of the present grant.

*Date.* Peterborough abbey was concerned in the Thurgarton tenants in Collingham and Danethorpe revealed in nos. 481-2 evidently because the abbey were lords of the manor of Collingham: in the *Black Book* (N, f. 137<sup>r-v</sup>, also in V2, f. 26<sup>v</sup>) there is an agreement about the services due from the tenants of Thurgarton priory to the abbot, dated 23 January 1279/80. Presumably Alice Deyncourt's grant was earlier than this, although it is possible that the agreement followed close upon her grant.

482. [f. 88] *Hee sunt parcelle terrarum prioris et conuentus de Thurgarton iacentium in campo de Southe Colyngam et Dornthorp.*

(A list of the parcels in the holding of the prior and convent of Thurgarton in South Collingham and Danethorpe (Notts).)

In primis, una acra atte Clyfyshende inter terram Willelmi Schirlok et terram Johannis Smyth, et una acra inter terram Willelmi Richard et terram Thome Thorald, et una acra by Esthouesdale inter terram Nicholai Cantyng et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et dimidia acra inter terram Stephani Worme et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et dimidia acra atte Wytewong inter terram Willelmi Sume et terram Radulphi Barret, et ij acre in Ouuesdale inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Willelmi filii Roberti, et dimidia acra super Acrelond inter terram Radulphi Barret et terram Ricardi filii Johannis, et dimidia acra super Ouerholm inter terram Radulphi Barret et terram Walteri filii Willelmi, et dimidia acra subtus Brokynhill inter terram Willelmi de Scarle et terram Thome Thorald, et j roda super Barlilond inter terram Radulphi Baret et terram Walteri filii Willelmi, et dimidia acra inter terram Nicholai Cantyng et terram Stephani Wor[me], et dimidia acra super Stonlande inter terram Thome Thorald et terram Rogeri Ibote, et dimidia acra subtus le Cnouse inter terram Willelmi de Scarle et terram Willelmi Hayde, et dimidia acra inter terram Radulphi Barret et terram Johannis Smyth, et una roda super le Knouse inter terram Radulphi Baret et terram Stephani Worme, et dimidia acra in Pesecroft inter terram Willelmi Robert ex utraque parte, et dimidia acra inter <terram> Willelmi Robert et terram Stephani Wurme, et j roda in Arthurghsyk inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Ricardi filii Johannis, et dimidia acra super Brokynhill inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Thome Thorald, et j roda inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram Radulphi Baret, et j acra in Rynnelles inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Stephani Wurme, et dimidia acra super Houuesdalehil inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Radulphi Baret, et j acra [f. 88<sup>v</sup>] uersus Howesdalehill inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Stephani Wurme, et j roda inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Stephani Wurme, et dimidia acra super Martyn' mar' inter terram Nicholai Cantyng et terram Stephani Wurme, et dimidia acra super Schortforlong inter terram Nicholai Cantyng et terram Stephani Worme, et j acra super Wybush inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Ricardi filii Johannis, et j acra inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Thome atte Laneshende, et dimidia acra atte Geyr' inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Willelmi in le Herne, et j acra super Ryland inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Stephani Wurme, et tres rode inter terram Nicholai Cantyng et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et j acra inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Stephani Worme, et una (? acra) super Ederykwong inter terram Willelmi et terram Lamberti Malet, et dimidia acra super Thistelholm inter terram Stephani Worme ex utraque parte, et due acre et dimidia by Southelyf inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Stephani Wurme, et una acra inter terram [Ni]cholai Cantyng et terram Stephani Wurme, et una acra inter terram Stephani Worme ex utraque parte, et due acre by Estou inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram

Nicholai Cantyng, et dimidia acra super Brodland inter terram Lamberti Malet et terram Willelmi Hayde, et una acra super Mykilhowe inter terram Stephani Worme et terram Willelmi Houchun, et una bouata terre be West Dornthorp inter culturam domini et culturam Nicholai Cantyng continentem xvj acras, et j acra et dimidia super Cokthornhill inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Thome del Grene, et una acra et una roda subtus le Clif inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Thome Thorald, et due acre inter terram Walteri Hulle et terram Willelmi Hayde, et j acra super Eykacre inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Johannis Scot, et dimidia acra super Holdegate inter terram<sup>a</sup> Radulphi Baret et terram Hugonis [f. 89] Milner, et dimidia acra subtus Oldegate inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Radulphi Baret, et una acra super Blitheland inter terram Ricardi filii Johannis et terram Thome atte Laneshende, et dimidia acra Ouerburghstigh inter terram Radulphi Baret et terram Willelmi filii Stephani, et dimidia acra in Northburgh inter terram Willelmi et terram Willelmi atte Kyrk, et una roda et dimidia oue the Strete inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Willelmi Hayde, et una acra et una roda in Brendhers inter terram Willelmi Robert et terram Stephani Wurme, et dimidia acra Westbrendhers inter terram Thome Thorald de Dornthorp et terram Hugonis Milner, et j roda et dimidia Souht in Brendhers inter terram Stephani Wurme et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et una acra et una roda atte Boroutheresse inter terram Radulphi Baret et terram Rogeri Ibote, et dimidia acra in Hawyspitte inter terram Ricardi filii Johannis ex utraque parte, et j roda by Ketyryng wong inter terram Johannis Scot et terram Willelmi atte Kyrk, et j acra super [ . . . ]ngland inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Thome T[ . . . ] rod<sup>a</sup> super Wykstyng inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke [ . . . ] Willelmi Hayde, et j acra et dimidia super Westhauerlond inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Willelmi Hayde, et j roda super Maingates inter terram Walteri Hull et terram Radulphi Baret, et j roda in le Coumbe inter terram Willelmi Sabyn et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et dimidia acra subtus Whaithill inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Willelmi Hayde, et j roda apud Potterbush inter terram Willelmi Sabyn et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et dimidia acra in Follerlandes inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Ricardi filii Johannis, et una roda in Blakmylde inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Radulphi Baret, et una roda et dimidia apud Scaftilmore (?) inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram Radulphi Baret, et due rode in eodem furlong inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram [f. 89<sup>v</sup>] Willelmi atte Kyrke, et tres rode super le Hil in eodem furlong inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Willelmi Hayde, et una roda et dimidia in eodem furlong inter terram dicti Willelmi et terram Radulphi Baret, et dimidia roda in eodem furlong inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et una roda et dimidia apud Mikelmor inter (terram) Willelmi Sabyn et terram Radulphi Baret, et una roda North subtus Wattilhil inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Willelmi Hayde, et j roda super le Hil in eodem furlong inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Willelmi filii Johannis, et dimidia acra inter<sup>b</sup> le Mores inter terram Willelmi Sabyn et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et una roda super le Lynlondes inter terram Radulphi Baret et terram Willelmi atte Kyrk, et dimidia roda inter le Milnes inter terram Thome Neme et terram Willelmi atte Kyrk, et j roda et dimidia by Northmylne inter terram rectoris et terram Radulphi Baret, et una roda by Twenthegates inter terram Thome Dene et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et j roda et dimidia Ouerbursgate inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram rectoris, et dimidia acra in le dale be Southtounne inter terram Thome (?) atte Laneshende et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et j roda super le Thacheacre inter terram Willelmi Sabyn et terram Willelmi atte

<sup>a</sup> MS. *adds* inter.<sup>b</sup> sic, (?) *for* iuxta.

Kyrke, et dimidia acra in le Pyttes inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et dimidia roda inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Walteri filii Willelmi, et j roda inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram Thome Neme, et una roda by South Comynger inter terram Willelmi Sabyn et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et una roda by Twenhalsyk inter terram Wandlandsik inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Roberti Edward, et j roda super Catelondes inter terram Radulphi Baret et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, [f. 90] et una roda super le Landes inter terram Radulphi Barret et terram Ricardi filii Johannis, et j roda inter terram Willelmi Hayde et terram Willelmi atte Kyrke, et tres rode subtus Ryholmthorn inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Radulphi Barret, et dimidia acra south Ryholm inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrke et terram rectoris, et una roda super Northryholm inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Willelmi Sabyn, et dimidia acra Westryholmstighe inter terram Radulphi Barret et terram Willelmi Hayde, et dimidia roda apud Horspoleword inter terram Willelmi atte Kyrk et terram Thome Thorald, et j roda in le Mersche iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrk, et j roda apud le Engg<sup>2</sup> iuxta terram Radulphi Barret, et j roda in le Middel-forlong in le Mersche iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrk, et dimidia roda super Trentbank iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrk.

Summa terre arabilis iiij bouate, dimidia, ij acre, quarum quelibet bouata continet xvj acras, uidelicet lxxiiij acre.

Nunc pratum. In primis, una acra et dimidia in le Brotte iuxta pratum Radulphi Barret et pratum Hugonis Mariot iacentes in diuersis locis, et una roda et dimidia super Carethornhill iuxta pratum Willelmi atte Kyrk, et j roda iuxta Carethornpitte iuxta pratum Radulphi Barret, et j roda in Ryholmdale iuxta pratum Hugonis Mari[ot], et dimidia acra in Yacdale inter pratum Willelmi atte Kyrk, et dimidia acra super Wrongland iuxta pratum Radulphi Barret, et una roda et dimidia in Wadlondsik iuxta pratum dicti Radulphi Barret, et una roda in le Croft iuxta pratum Willelmi atte Kyrke, et una roda est in Croft iuxta pratum Radulphi Barret, et dimidia acra inter Ryholm et Wadelond iuxta pratum Radulphi Barret, et dimidia acra iuxta pratum Willelmi atte Kyrk, et dimidia acra super Wadelond iuxta pratum [f. 90<sup>v</sup>] Willelmi atte Kyrk, et j roda super Langelondes iuxta pratum Radulphi Barret, et tres rode super Wydyhowe iuxta pratum Willelmi atte Kyrk, et una roda apud Thistildale iuxta pratum Radulphi Baret.

Summa acrarum terre et prati iiij<sup>xx</sup> j acre.

## [XVII]

483. Extent of the lands held by Ralph of Thorney of Warmington<sup>1</sup> made in the presence of Peter FitzWaryn and John of Monkland after Ralph's death (i.e. inquisition post mortem) on the oath of Henry Aubry, Adam Coyffe, Reginald Caker, John Crane, Thomas Cut, and Henry Bray. 8 December 1335

Extenta terrarum que fuerunt Radulphi de Thorn(e) in Wermington facta ibidem coram Petro FitzWaryn et Johanne de Munkelane post mortem predicti Radulphi uidelicet die Ueneris proxi(ma) post festum Sancti Nicholai anno regni regis E(dwardi) tercii post conquestum nono, per Henricum Aubry, Adam<sup>a</sup> Coyffe, Reginaldum Caker, Johannem Crane, Thomam Cut et Henricum Bray, qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod predictus Radulphus tenuit in dominico suo ut de feodo die quo obiit de domino abbate de Burgo Sancti Petri; in le Boncroft quatuor acras et j rodam terre et pasture

<sup>a</sup> Ade MS.

<sup>1</sup> Ralph of Thorney first occurs 30 June 1299 (F, pp. 119–20); on him see P, p. 127 n.



per seruicium militare, quas adquisiuit de Willelmo Blakeman, et ualet quelibet acra per annum xjd. Item predictus Radulphus tenuit ibidem capitale [me]suagium suum, xliiij acras terre arabilis et quatuor acras prati quas adquisiuit de predicto Willelmo et uocatur terra quondam Murielle [fili]e Henrici, et tenetur de predicto domino abbate per seruicium vijs. per annum pro omni seruicio, preter vjd. ad borughwerk.<sup>1</sup> Et ualet quelibet acra per annum xd., et quelibet acra prati ualet per annum ijs. iiijd. Item dicunt quod dictum capitale mesuagium ualet per annum cum quodam paruo gardino, ut in fructu quando accidit . . .<sup>a</sup> Item dicunt quod est ibidem unum columbarium [f. 91] quod ualet per annum ijs. Item dicunt quod predictus Radulphus tenuit ibidem x acras terre, quas adquisiuit de Henrico Aubry et reddidit ijd. ad auxilium uicecomitis per annum apud Clyue<sup>2</sup> pro omni seruicio, et ualet quelibet acra per annum xd. Item dicunt quod idem Radulphus tenuit ibidem xiiij acras terre et ij acras prati quas adquisiuit de Johanne Cotel et tenetur de feodo Aungeuill' simul cum aliis terris et tenementis, per seruicium ijs. per annum pro omni seruicio, et ualet quelibet acra per annum viijd. Item dicunt quod predictus Radulphus tenuit j acram et dimidiam quas adquisiuit de Rogero Browne, unde reddidit pro dicta acra terre jd. de dobble fe<sup>3</sup> et facit sectam curie domini abbatis, et pro alia acra nichil reddidit per annum, et ualet acra per annum xd. Item dicunt quod predictus Radulphus adquisiuit unam acram terre de Roberto Blak' et tenetur de predicto domino abbate de dobble fe et reddidit ijd. pro omni seruicio preter sectam. Idem Radulphus adquisiuit unam acram terre de Rogero Jay de eodem feodo et reddidit ijd. per annum, et ualet per annum viijd. Idem predictus Radulphus tenuit ibidem unum mesuagium et j acram terre que adquisiuit de Roberto Wateruill' et tenetur de priorissa de Sancto<sup>b</sup> Michael'e extra Staunford per seruicium xvjd. per annum pro omni seruicio, unde predictus Radulphus edificauit supra dictum mesuagium et tenementa, et arrentant<sup>4</sup> ut inferius ad uoluntatem et ualet dicta acra terre per annum viijd. Item dicunt quod predictus Radulphus adquisiuit vij acras et dimidiam et j roda(m) terre quas adquisiuit de Johanne le Lord de Aylyngton,<sup>5</sup> et tenentur simul cum aliis terris et tenementa de herede Hugonis de Undel' per seruicium ijs. per annum pro omni seruicio, et ualet per annum quelibet acra xd. Item idem Radulphus adquisiuit iij acras terre de Matilda de Arderne et tenentur de predicto domino abbate per seruicium militare, et ualet quelibet acra per annum viijd. Item dicunt quod predictus Radulphus adquisiuit de Willelmo de Orlingber' xxx acras terre [f. 91<sup>v</sup>] cum pertinenciis in Papele, que tenentur de Warino de Latymer milite et Roberto Marmyoun<sup>6</sup> pro seruicio militari, et ualet quelibet acra per annum vijd. Item dicunt quod Athelina Freland ten(et) unum tenementum de eadem tenura ibidem, et redd(it) per annum vjd.; et Hugo Freland tenet de eadem tenura et reddit per annum ijs. Hugo le Cartere tenet de eadem tenura et reddit per annum xs. iiijd. Item dicunt quod duo<sup>c</sup> tenentes tenuerunt de predicto Radulpho quod tenuit in Pok' pro quibus redd(unt) vijs. et tenentur (?) de herede Radulphi de Grent', per quod seruicium ignoratur. Item dicunt quod predictus Radulphus tenuit unam acram terre in Wermynghon quam adquisiuit de Roberto Cayno et tenetur de Pagano de Ely, per quod seruicium ignoratur, et ualet per annum xd. Dicunt eciam quod sunt diuersi tenentes in

<sup>a</sup> Space left in MS.<sup>b</sup> Sancti MS.<sup>c</sup> duos MS.<sup>1</sup> See note to no. 393 e.<sup>2</sup> King's Cliffe.<sup>3</sup> 'double fee'—but what this meant is obscure. It is always applied to rent in this document, and perhaps takes its name from the common practice by which the annual rent was doubled for relief; or it might be related to the curious local definition of 'libera wara' (see note to no. 234).<sup>4</sup> 'hold for rent'.<sup>5</sup> Ellington (Hunts.).<sup>6</sup> On the Marmyon fee, see P, pp. 46-52 and nn.

Wermynghon qui tenent quedam cotagia ad uoluntatem et reddunt per annum xxxs. ad quatuor anni terminos.

Summa acrarum terre arabilis de omni tenura cxvij acre et de prato vj acre. Summa tocius extente viij li. iijs. iiij*d*. De quibus de feodo de Orlingb[er] pertinent Warino Latymer et Roberto Marmyoun in Pappele xxxvijs. vijd., unde uxor predicti Radulphi habet terciam partem terre et ten(ementorum) in dotem.

Memorandum quod Radulphus de Thorn(eie) tenuit de domino abbate capitale mesuagium suum et xlvij acras terre et prati in Wermynghon, que quondam fuerunt Murielle atte Bour', pro vijs. redditus pro h[om]ag'. Item tenuit iij acras terre que quondam fuerunt Hugonis Bretoun (?) in eadem uilla, cum d[. . .] parcellis tenementorum [. . .] eiusdem Henrici (*sic*) tentorum pro homagio etc. Item Radulphus [tenuit] x acras terre de tenemento quondam Thome Spechel et Henrici Aubry, que quondam fuerunt Symonis Semthy (?), que quidem tenementa tene(n)tur de domino abbate de Burgo pro xij*d*. redditus [*f*. 92] et pro iiij*d*. de warda de Rokyngham.<sup>1</sup> Item Radulphus tenuit xiiij acras terre de feodo Dobbe Aubri, que similiter tenentur pro homagio. Item Radulphus tenuit xxiiij acras terre de feodo Ketel pro ijs. et pro homagio etc. Idem Radulphus tenuit apud Pok' unum mesuagium cum crofto continente vj acras terre quas perquisiuit de Johanne de Grendon et dant tenentur pro homagio. Idem Radulphus tenuit apud (Pappele\*) Chirchefeld unum mesuagium et xl acras terre de domino abbate de Burgo pro homagio etc. Idem Radulphus tenuit apud Pappele xl acras terre, apud Tansouer duos natiuos cum ij uirgatis terre, apud Wynewyk xl acras terre et apud Aylyngton xxx acras terre, quarum maxima pars in comitatu Hunt[endonie], quas perquisiuit de Johanne le Lord de Aylyngton et dant decimam ecclesie de Wermynghon et ecclesie de Aylyngton. [*f*. 92*v* blank.]

## [XVIII] [*f*. 93] QUIETE CLAMACIONES CONCERNENTES ABBATEM

### (QUIT-CLAIMS CONCERNING THE ABBOT)

484. Note that a dispute arose between William the Swon (or Swan or Sweyn; cf. no. 1) and Abbot Richard of London (1274-95) and the convent on a right which William claimed to hold by inheritance as part of the fee of the abbey's swineherd—i.e. in a messuage with croft attached in the Westgate (in Peterborough), between the messuage and croft of John Inpy on the east and the messuage and croft which Ralph of Berkhamstead held for life on the west, extending in length from the royal road to the stream which runs along the side of the meadow of Boroughbury; in 1 acre of arable which lies beyond the *Beche* between the land of John of Papley and of William Coue of Eastfield, and in the meadow which lies by the Boroughbury conduit next the meadow of Simon Butler. Finding no evidence for his plea, and wishing to do no injustice to the abbot and convent, his lords, he quit-claimed any right he might have had, or had said he had in the messuage, croft, meadow, and all their appurtenances, and in corrodies, liveries, and other allowances in and out of the abbey, which he had claimed to be attached to these; with the condition that neither he nor his heirs nor anyone in their name shall raise or exact any part of this claim. 1294 (c. 29 September)

Memorandum quod contencio esset orta inter Willelmum le Swon ex parte una et Ricardum de London' abbatem et conuentum de Burgo Sancti Petri ex altera, super quodam iure quod dixit ad se iure hereditario pertinere ratione feodi porcarii eiusdem abbacie: uidelicet in quodam mesuagio cum crofto adiacente in le Westgate, sicut situm est in longitudine et latitudine inter mesuagium et croftum Johannis Inpy uersus orientem et mesuagium et croftum que Radulphus de Berkamstede tenuit ad terminum uite sue uersus

<sup>1</sup> Cf. P, p. 27 n. (a tax in lieu of castle guard at Rockingham Castle).

occidentem, et extendit se in longitudine a uia regia usque ad riuulum qui currit per latus prati de Burgybyr; et in una acra terre arabilis que iacet ultra le Beche inter terram Johannis de Pappelle ex parte una et terram Willelmi Coue de Estfeld ex altera, et pratum (*sic*)<sup>a</sup> quod iacet iuxta conductum de Burbyr iuxta pratum Symonis le Botiller. Demum quesit munimenta, nec aliquibus (*sic*) pro disensione sua in premissis inuento uel optento, nolens ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo in aliquo preiudicium grauari nec predictos dominos suos iniuste pro uiribus offendere, mera spontanea uoluntate concessit, dimisit et tenore presencium quietum clamauit totum ius et clamium quod habuit, uel aliquo modo habere potuit, uel se habere dixit in predictis mesuagio, crofto, prato et omnibus suis pertinenciis, tam in corradiis, liberacionibus et aliis percepcionibus infra abbaciam uel extra, que predixit ad predictos pertinere; ita quod nec ipse nec<sup>b</sup> heredes sui nec aliquis nomine suo uel nomine heredum suorum aliquid iuris uel clamei in aliquo<sup>c</sup> predictorum clamare uel exigere poterunt. Data apud Burgum anno domini MCC nonagesimo quarto.

*Date.* Cf. no. 486.

485. Quit-claim by William the Swon of Peterborough, for himself and his heirs and assigns, to the abbot and convent, his lords, and their successors, of every corrody, livery, and allowance in and out of the abbey which he claimed and used to receive as part of the fee of the office of abbey's swineherd which he claimed to hold by hereditary right.

*c. 29 September 1294*

[f. 93<sup>v</sup>] Item Willelmus le Swon de Burgo Sancti Petri remisit et quietum clamauit dominis suis abbati et conuentui de Burgo Sancti Petri et eorum successoribus imperpetuum, pro se et heredibus uel assignatis, totum corrodiu, liberacionem et percepcionem, tam intrinsecam quam forinsecam, tam infra abbaciam quam extra, que percipere uendicauit et consueuit racione feodi porcarie quod clamauit jure hereditario aliquando habere in eadem abbacia. Sine warentia et sine data.

486. William the Swon of Peterborough was charged with certain offences, which he (? had planned)<sup>1</sup> against his lords the abbot and convent; and he agreed that if he should happen in the future to be found guilty or caught in the act of any further offence, the abbot and convent could enter and take possession of all that he claimed to pertain to the fee of the swineherd, and he lose all further claim to it.

*29 September 1294*

Item Willelmus dictus le Swon de Burgo Sancti Petri arettatus fuisset de quibusdam transgrecionibus sibi inpositis, quas facere debuisset<sup>1</sup> erga dominos suos abbatem et conuentum de Burgo Sancti Petri. Concedit quod si —absit— de cetero se contingat notabiliter de aliqua transgrecione maiore conuinci aut euidenter deprehendi, ex tunc liceat abbati et conuentui omnia que clamauit ad feodum porcarie spectancia ingredi et tenere, tanquam ea que pro suis perdidit demeritis, absque clamio alicuius iuris ulteriori. Sine warentia, data apud Burgum ad festum Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Edwardi uicesimo secundo.

487. Quit-claim by Roger of Meriden, for himself and his heirs, to the abbot and convent of his rights in 1 toft on Westgate, Peterborough, which he held by grant of Simon Smith of Peterborough.

*Probably late 13th century*

<sup>a</sup> Presumably for in prato (or in una acra prati or the like). The meadow is included in the quit-claim clause, though not, curiously, the arable. <sup>b</sup> nec nec MS. <sup>c</sup> aliqua MS.

<sup>1</sup> Literally 'he ought to have done', which is the reverse of what is intended. Either 'non' is missing before 'debuisset', or 'debuisset' is being used in a neutral sense: 'was [due] to'. Neither explanation seems entirely satisfactory.

Item Rogerus de Miriden remisit et quietum clamauit de se et de heredibus suis domino abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci<sup>a</sup> conuentui totum ius et clamium quod umquam habuit seu habere potuit in uno tofto in uilla de Burgo Sancti Petri in Westgate, quod habuit de dono Symonis fabri de eadem. Sine warentia, sine data.

*Date.* Those of this group of quit-claims which can be dated belong to the time of Abbot Richard of London (1274-95), especially to his later years. This fits other references to Roger of Meriden (nos. 17, 143, 145-6).

488. Lease for life by Abbot Richard (of London) to Matilda Spechel of 1½ acres in Peterborough in *Faleholm*, between the land which Alice Spechel once held of the abbot and the land which William Arthemer (? Archemer, Erchemer) holds of the abbot, for an annual rent of 18*d*. 1 October 1290

Item dompnus Ricardus abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri tradidit, dimisit et concessit Matilde dicte Spechel unam acram et dimidiam terre in campis de Burgo Sancti Petri iacentem in *Faleholm*, inter terram quam Alicia Spechel quondam tenuit de dicto abbate et terram quam Willelmus Arthem(er) tenet de eodem; habendam de [f. 94] dicto abbate et successoribus suis dicte Matilde tota uita sua, reddendo inde annuatim dicto abbati et eorum (*sic*) successoribus xviij denarios ad quatuor anni terminos pro omnibus seruiciis. Cum warentia, data apud Burgum Sancti Petri die Dominica proxima post festum Sancti Michaelis anno regni regis Ed(wardi) decimo octauo.

489. Quit-claim by Genua Stireger in free (widowhood?) to Abbot Richard (of London, 1274-95) of her rights in a house with appurtenances in Market Street, Peterborough, by the common oven of the town, which she had by grant of Matilda Franceys. 1274-95

Item Genua<sup>b</sup> Stireger in legitima potestate sua remisit et quietum clamauit domino Ricardo abbati de Burgo totum ius et clamium quod habuit uel habere poterit in quadam domo cum pertinenciis in uilla de Burgo, que sita est in Marketstede iuxta communem feurnum uille, quam habuit de dono Matilde Franceys. Sine warentia et sine data.

490. Quit-claim in free alms by Richard Apryl of Etton to the abbot and convent and their successors of all the lands and tenements with which he or his predecessors had enfeoffed Aubrey of Shillington, of whatever fee.

Item Ricardus Apryl de Etton concessit, remisit et omnino de se et de heredibus quieta clamauit abbati et conuentui de Burgo et eorum successoribus in liberam et puram et perpetuam elemosinam omnes terras et tenementa cum pertinenciis, que Albricus de Schytlyngdon habuit de feoffamento suo uel antecessorum suorum de cuiuscumque feodo fuerit. Sine warentia et sine data.

491. Quit-claim by John of Wingham to the abbot and convent and their successors of his rights in 1½ acres in the *Stibbynges* in Peterborough, of which 1 acre lies between the land of John the Almoner of Peterborough on the west and land which was Robert the Bucher's (Butcher) on the east, and ½ acre with John Palfrey's land on either side.

*Probably late 13th century*

Item Johannes de Wengham remisit et omnino de se et de heredibus suis quietum clamauit domino abbati et conuentui de Burgo Sancti Petri et eorum successoribus inperpetuum totum ius et clamium quod habuit uel aliquo modo habere poterit in una acra et dimidia terre in *Stibbynges*, in campis de Burgo, que quidem<sup>c</sup> acra iacet inter terram Johannis elemosinarii de Burgo ex parte

<sup>a</sup> MS. *adds et*.

<sup>b</sup> or Genna (? for Gemma).

<sup>c</sup> quidam MS.

occidentali et terram que fuit Roberti le Bucher ex parte orientali; et dimidia acra iacet inter terram Johannis Palfrey ex utraque parte; habendum etc. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* John of Wingham was the donor of no. 4 (1282-c. 1296), and John Palfrey occurs in charters of 1293 (nos. 85, 89, 90) and in other charters before and after 1290 (nos. 88, 91-95). If it is implied in this charter that John the Almoner was still alive, it must be before no. 4.

**492.** Quit-claim by Inga (cf. no. 493) Leffeyn of Peterborough to Abbot Richard of London and the convent and their successors of her dowry and other rights in a holding in Peterborough which William Swan (or Swon) her son sold to the abbot and convent (cf. no. 494).  
1274-95, probably late

Item Inga Leffeyn de Burgo dimisit et omnino quietum clamavit domino Ricardo de London' abbati de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conventui et eorum successoribus totum ius et clamium quod habuit nomine dotis uel aliquo modo habere poterit in quodam [f. 94<sup>v</sup>] tenemento Willelmi Swan in Burgo quod Willelmus filius suus uendit predictis abbati et conventui. Sine warentia et sine data.

*Date.* For William Swon, cf. nos. 484-6, 494; for Inga, no. 493.

**493.** Demise for eleven years by Iggritha (Ingrid) widow of Richard Suone (Swan) of Peterborough to William of Lincoln of the same and Alice his wife of a messuage in Peterborough on Bridge St. between the messuage once John Forester's of the same holding on the north . . . .<sup>1</sup>  
? Late 13th century

Item Iggritha relicta Ricardi Suone<sup>a</sup> de Burgo dimisit et concessit Willelmo de Lyncoln(ia) de eadem et Aliciam uxorem suam (*sic*) unum mesuagium in Burgo quod iacet apud le Hythegate inter mesuagium quondam Johannis le Forester de eodem tenemento ex parte aquilonari . . . ; tenendum et habendum usque ad finem undecim annorum proximorum sequencium. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The reference to John Forester suggests that nos. 493 and 494 were not far apart in date. If some words have fallen out of this clause (see n. 1), it may well be that John Forester's messuage really lay to the south, and the property which is the subject of nos. 493 and 494 may be the same. Otherwise the presence of no. 493 in this collection is difficult to explain.

**494.** Grant and quit-claim (?)<sup>2</sup> by William son of Richard Swan (al. Swon) of Peterborough to Abbot Richard of London and the convent and their successors of a messuage in Bridge St., Peterborough, between the messuage once Philip Trussel's on the north and the messuage once John Forester's on the south, which William held of the abbot and convent (cf. nos. 492-3).  
1274-95, probably late

Item Willelmus filius Ricardi Swan de Burgo concessit, dimisit domino Ricardo de London' abbati de Burgo et eiusdem loci conventui et eorum successoribus unum mesuagium in uilla Burgi in le Hythegate, inter mesuagium quondam Philippi Trussel ex parte boreali et mesuagium quondam Johannis le Forester ex parte australi, quod quidem mesuagium tenuit de abbate et conventu; habendum et tenendum etc. Cum warentia et sine data.

*Date.* The dates are those of Abbot Richard; the transaction may be connected with nos. 484-6 (1294).

<sup>a</sup> Suoue (or Snoue) MS.

<sup>1</sup> Either a passage has fallen out of this clause, or we should read 'iuxta', 'by' or 'next', for 'inter'—probably the former (see above).

<sup>2</sup> The words employed. 'concessit, dimisit', suggest a demise (i.e. lease without rent, as apparently in no. 493); but a demise by a tenant to his lord—though not impossible—would be a strange transaction. It seems much more likely that no. 494 represents a grant and quit-claim and that the words 'et quietum clamavit' have fallen out, perhaps owing to the influence of no. 493, which may also account for 'dimisit' instead of the more natural 'remisit'.

495. Grant in free alms by Robert son of Audelin of Marholm (cf. no. 327) to the leper brothers (of the hospital of St. Leonard)<sup>1</sup> in Peterborough of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre in Glington, lying on *Goris* by the land of Edeline widow of Geoffrey Pyntil, abutting at one end on the path between Glington and Marholm.<sup>2</sup>

Item Robertus filius Audelin de Marham dedit etc. Deo et leprosis fratribus de Burgo in puram, liberam et perpetuam elemosinam unam dimidiam acram in campis de Glynton, iacentem super *Goris* iuxta terram Edeline que fuit uxor Galfridi Pyntil, et unum capud super semitam inter Glynton et Marham; tenendam absque omni seruicio, reddendo inde annuatim Deo et predictis leprosis fratribus unum obolum in die apostolorum Petri et Pauli pro omni seruicio. Cum warentia et sine data. [*ff. 95-97<sup>v</sup> blank.*]

### [XIX] [*f. 98*] CARTE ANTIQUORUM REGISTRORUM PRECENTORIS

496. Grant without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Hamon son of Walter of 3 bovates less 4 acres in Collingham (Notts.), which had been quit-claimed to Peterborough Abbey by Walter Uull<sup>b</sup> (*sic*), for an annual rent of 6s. 1177-91

Uniuersis ad quos presentes littere peruenerint Benedictus<sup>a</sup> abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse et dedisse Hamoni filio Walteri in feudum et hereditatem tres bouatas terre in Colyng-ham,<sup>b</sup> quatuor acras terre minus, quas Walterus Uull<sup>c</sup> reddidit super altare Sancti Petri de Burgo et pro se et heredibus suis quietas clamauit et abiurauit; reddendo inde in singulis annis vjs. pro omni seruicio et consuetudine. Quare uolumus quod predicti Hamo et heredes sui habeant et teneant prescriptam terram libere, quiete et hereditarie, honorifice et pacifice, per supranominatum seruicium. Et ut hec nostra donatio perpetuam obtineat firmitatem, presenti carta eam roboramus et commonimus. Hiis testibus:<sup>d</sup> Rodberto de Neu(illa), magistro Amico, Rogero Baco, Ricardo de Scotend(on), Willelmo de Henham.

*Text.* Also in A, f. 42<sup>v</sup> (and C2, f. 73: variants of C2 are not normally given).

*Date.* Amicus is presumably the Master Amicus (or Amicius) of nos. 513 and 511, who subsequently became archdeacon of Surrey (dioc. Winchester) (the identity is proved by the documents in Swa, f. 249<sup>v</sup>, F, pp. 65-66). He first occurs as archdeacon in 1188-92 (*Reg. St. Osmund*, ed. W. H. R. Jones, Rolls Series, i. 300); but documents of 1189-92 and 1191 (*Selborne Charters*, ed. W. D. Macray, Hants Rec. Soc., ii. 1; *Reg. St. Osmund*, i. 243) show that he entered the service of Godfrey de Lucy, bishop of Winchester soon after he became bishop in 1189, certainly not later than 1191; and it is not impossible that he had entered Godfrey's service before he became bishop. Amicus died between 1213 and 1216 (P.R.O., C.P. 25 (1), 225/3, nos. 46, 47, 50; A. Heales, *Records of Merton Priory*, app. no. 43—I owe these references to Mr. C. A. F. Meekings).

The presence of Robert de Neville among the witnesses ought to enable us to date the charter more closely; unfortunately more than one man may be meant. The following pedigree of the Nevilles of Scotton is based on P, p. 106 n. and *Sir Christopher Hatton's Book of Seals*, ed. L. C. Loyd and D. M. Stenton, Northants. Rec. Soc., 1950, p. 18; in *Complete Peerage*, rev. ed., ix. 477, the two elder Ralphs seem to have been confused; it is not certain that Ralph I was still alive in 1201. See *ibid.*, ix. 491 ff. and Loyd, *Origins of some Anglo-Norman Families*, Harleian Soc., 1951, pp. 72 f., for their origin. References to Ralph I in 1176 and before 1190 and to Robert and Matilda in 1194 are from W. Farrer, *Honors and Knights' Fees*, ii (London, 1924), pp. 121, 145, 55, and 242.

<sup>a</sup> B MS.

<sup>b</sup> Colingham A.

<sup>c</sup> Wulley C.

<sup>d</sup> *A ends here, omitting the witnesses.*

<sup>1</sup> For the Hospital of St. Leonard, see Morton, pp. xxviii ff. and references there cited.

<sup>2</sup> The continuation in the text, which stipulates an annual rent of  $\frac{1}{2}$ d. to the leper brothers, is unintelligible in a grant to the lepers, and contradicts the terms of the present charter. It is clearly the conclusion of another charter, possibly the alienation by the leper hospital of the same land, whose conclusion has carelessly been copied by the scribe without the rest of the charter.

Robert (occurs 1177-82, no. 509)

Ralph I (occurs 1176, 1189, before 1190)

Robert (occurs 1194; died 1220-1—  
see below, no. 531)

= Matilda

Ralph (no. 531)

Ralph (no. 531)

↑  
Nevilles of Scotton

Although Ralph seems to have been head of the family for most of Abbot Benedict's time, it seems likely that there was a Robert de Neville in existence throughout the period.

497. Grant without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Roger de Camera of a messuage in Peterborough lying between Eustace's house (cf. no. 512) and the house which was held by Letard the butcher, for an annual rent of 6*d*.

1177-91 (see no. 496)

Item: uniuersis ad quos littere iste peruenerint B(enedictus) abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus salutem. Sciatis nos concessisse Rogero de Camera in feudum et hereditatem unum mesuagium in Burgo quod est inter domum Eustachii et domum que fuit Letardi carnificis; reddendo inde singulis annis *vjd.* pro omni seruicio et consuetudine. Quare uolumus quod idem Rogerus et heredes habeant et teneant predictum mesuagium libere et quiete, honorifice et hereditarie, pacifice per prenominatum seruicium. Hiis testibus: Rodberto de Neu(illa), magistro Amico, Rogero Baco, Symone camerario, Hamo (*sic*), Willelmo de Hucham, Willelmo de Wyngham, Willelmo scriptore, Martino scriptore.

498. Grant without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Simon the chamberlain of 1 virgate of land in Warmington with all its appurtenances, which Fulk of Hamerton formerly held and which Fulk and his heirs granted and quit-claimed to the abbey, as his charter testifies; to be held of the abbot and convent for an annual rent of 2*s*. They also grant 1 virgate in Ellington (Hunts.) which Husbondus once held, to be held of the abbot and convent for the customary service (or rent).

1177-91 (see no. 496)

Benedictus<sup>a</sup> Dei gratia abbas Burgi totusque conuentus eiusdem loci omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis<sup>b</sup> salutem. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos de communi assensu concessisse Symoni<sup>c</sup> camerario unam uirgatam terre in Wermynghon<sup>c</sup> cum omnibus pertinenciis suis quam de nobis prius tenuit Fulco de Hamertone.<sup>c</sup> [*f.* 98<sup>v</sup>] et quam ipse Fulco et heredes sui optulerunt super altare Sancti<sup>d</sup> Petri et quietam clamauerunt, sicut carta eiusdem Fulconis testatur; libere et quiete de nobis tenendam, reddendo inde nobis annuatim duos solidos in festo Sancti Petri ad uincula pro omnibus seruiciis et consuetudinibus que ad nos pertinent. Preterea concessimus ei unam uirgatam terre in Aylyngton<sup>e</sup> quam quondam tenuit Husbondus;<sup>e</sup> libere et hereditarie de nobis tenendam per seruicium quod iam dicta terra facere solebat. Hanc uero concessionem ut rata et<sup>f</sup> inconcussa permaneat sigilli nostri appositione roborauimus.<sup>g</sup> Hiis testibus:<sup>h</sup> Ricardo de Weston senescallo, Rodberto de Neu(illa), magistro Amico, Rogero Baco, Ricardo de Scotendon, Henrico de Sareberia, Willelmo marescallo, Benedicto parmentario, Henrico Wauter, Eustachio, Willelmo diacono qui hanc cartam conscripsit.

Text. A, f. 42<sup>v</sup> (and C2, f. 73).

499. Grant without warranty by Abbot Robert (of Lindsey, 1214-22) and the convent to Thomas son of William of the almonry (cf. no. 4) of Peterborough of his father's holdings

<sup>a</sup> B MS. <sup>b</sup> Franc' et Angl' A; Francie et Anglie MS. <sup>c</sup> Simoni . . . Wermington . . . Hamerton . . . Aylyngton (Aylyngton MS.) A. <sup>d</sup> Beati A. <sup>e</sup> Hasbondus A. <sup>f</sup> ut MS. <sup>g</sup> corroborauimus A (not C2). <sup>h</sup> Hiis testibus etc. (*om. witnesses*) A.

(in Peterborough)—a messuage in Priestgate, another messuage towards the *Bondgate* (St. John St.) between the messuage of William Marshal and that formerly held by Gilbert Surip, and 10 acres of land, 5 in Eastfield, 3 in an enclosure on the other side of the road, and 2 at the park gate;<sup>1</sup> to be held for his serjeanty in the almonry, where he is to be hereditary first serjeant<sup>2</sup> under the monk-almoner for collecting, keeping, and distributing alms, warden of the guest-house, and custodian of the maundy for the poor. He and his heirs are to receive a loaf, a flagon of beer, and a conger-eel with bread daily. 1214-22

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quorum audienciam presens scriptum peruenerit Robertus<sup>a</sup> abbas de Burgo totusque eiusdem<sup>b</sup> loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos unanimi consensu concessisse et presenti carta confirmasse Thome filio Willelmi elemosinarie de Burgo tenementa que idem Willelmus pater suus tenuit, scilicet unum mesuagium in Prestisgate et aliud mesuagium uersus le<sup>c</sup> Bondegate, quod est inter mesuagium Willelmi<sup>d</sup> marescalli et mesuagium quod Gilbertus Surip aliquando tenuit, et decem acras terre arabilis in campis de Burgo, scilicet in Estfeld quinque acras, et ex alia parte uie in quodam clauso tres acras, et ad portam parci duas acras; habenda<sup>e</sup> sibi et heredibus suis libere, quiete et hereditarie saluis regiis gildis per serganciam in elemosinaria nostra—hoc<sup>f</sup> subscriptum scilicet quod ipse Thomas debet esse hereditarie primus seruienti elemosinarie sub monacho ad elemosinam colligendam, seruandam<sup>d</sup> [f. 99] et pauperibus erogandam secundum elemosinarii dispositionem. Idem etiam debet esse hereditarie<sup>e</sup> custos locutorii hospitum et mandatum pauperum custodire; ita quidem quod ipse et heredes sui percipiant singulis diebus ad uictum suum<sup>g</sup> unum panem et unam mistam<sup>h</sup> ceruisie et congruum companagium. Ut autem hec nostra concessio rata et inconcussa permaneat presens scriptum sigillorum nostrorum appositione roborauimus. Hiis testibus: Rogero de Torpel et aliis.<sup>i</sup>

*Text.* Also in Swa, f. clxij.

*Date.* This charter cannot be later than 1254, by which year the last Roger of Torpel was dead (P, p. 34 n.). Abbot Robert must therefore be Robert of Lindsey.

500. Grant (without warranty?) in free alms to the monks of Louth Park (Lincs., Cistercian Abbey) of all the land in Raventhorpe (Lincs.) lying on the south side of *Martynwellsyke* as far as the boundary of Holme in length and the boundary of Manton in breadth; and whatever lies on the south side of *Martynwell* as far as the hill by the boundary of Manby, as it has been surveyed and divided by dykes, and so by the boundary of Manby and of Broughton and of Scawby to the boundary of Manton again; and common pasture in Raventhorpe for 500 sheep, ten cows, their woodland (?) horses, two plough-teams of oxen<sup>3</sup> with other common rights over turf<sup>4</sup> and heath; and *Martynwell* furlong lying to the north, i.e. 13 acres with common pasture in Holme, and fuel from turf and heath, and water from *Martynwell*, wherever they wish to take it for their own use, and likewise in *Engcroft* on the north side of their grange at Twigmore and the crofts on the east side of their byre—all of which Gilbert son of Ralph gave them, as his charter testifies. They are also confirmed the grants of Robert de Neville in tofts and slets<sup>5</sup> in Manton, with common pasture and everything else pertaining to that fee in turf and heather, and also from the heather of that vill. They are also granted whatever they can turn into arable land and 20 acres of cultivated land in Holme, 10 acres to the west of *Suthon* and 10 on *Assedalehil*, pertaining to the assart(s) of Robert de Neville, and common pasture and fuel from turf and heather; and the site of their grange in Twigmore, surrounded by a ditch (or moat).

<sup>a</sup> Robertus MS.

<sup>b</sup> totusque eiusdem MS. eiusdemque Swa.

<sup>c</sup> om. Swa.

<sup>d</sup> om. MS.

<sup>e</sup> Swa adds et tenenda.

<sup>f</sup> hic MS.

<sup>g</sup> Swa adds de elemosinar' monachorum.

<sup>h</sup> iustam Swa.

<sup>i</sup> et aliis MS.; etc. Swa.

<sup>1</sup> For the park gate, see Morton, p. 155; and for the site of the park, P, p. 108 n., Morton, p. 38 n.

<sup>2</sup> Or servant; but the family were evidently of the status of petty serjeants (cf. no. 4).

<sup>3</sup> 'carrucata' should mean 'carrucate', i.e. a measure of land; but the meaning seems clearly to be 'plough-teams', which would normally be 'carruce'.

<sup>4</sup> Or 'peat': 'turba et brueria' are standard terms for those areas of uncultivated land from which fuel might be cut—turf, peat, and heather, &c.

<sup>5</sup> 'slettis', from ON *slætta*, dialect English sleet = a level field (cf. *P.N. Elements*, ii. 129).



and three acres in the tofts of Raventhorpe, and whatever they have dyked in Manton outside their grange, and the causeway they have made before the gate of their grange, as Robert (de Neville's) charter testifies; and all the land which Henry son of Ralph<sup>1</sup> gave them in Messingham, east of the road which runs from Holme bridge (south) and divides the great slets from the little and goes on to the fields of Manton as far as the fields of Raventhorpe, every kind of land, including the common of the whole vill and the easements pertaining to his fee; and the whole furlong called 'great slets' on the east of the vill, as Henry's charters testify; and 2 bovates with their appurtenances in the fields of Messingham, save the tofts which Tergisius held; and one bovat of land with appurtenances which was held by Lambert Suarri; and a toft formerly held by William de la Mare; and 1 bovat of land with appurtenances formerly held by William de Rebarn (?); and 4 other bovates of land with appurtenances which Norman priest of Raventhorpe held; and 1 selion at *Lairlondis* and 2 tofts in Messingham, (formerly) held by Roger of York and Stephen clerk, all of which Simon son of Henry gave them in Messingham, as his charters testify. They are also confirmed common pasture in the fields of Messingham for fifty mares with three-year-old foals and the right of dyking and enclosing and turning to their own uses however they wish anything which pertains to the fee (of Peterborough Abbey) contained within these boundaries — i.e. as the road runs (south) from Holme bridge and divides the great and little slets and so to the field of Manton, and on the east as far as the fields of Raventhorpe, in every kind of land, as Simon's charters testify.<sup>2</sup>

c. 1216

Sciatis nos concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse Deo et monachis ecclesie Beate Marie de Parco Lude, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, solutam et quietam et liberam ab omni terreno seruitio et consuetudine et exactione, totam terram que iacet in campis de Ragenilthorp, in longitudine ex suth parte Martynwellsyke usque ad diuisam de Holm et in latitudine usque ad diuisam de Malmeton, et item a Martynwell quicquid ibi continetur ex suth parte usque ad collem iuxta diuisam de Manneby sicut perambulata est et per fossas<sup>a</sup> diuisa, et sic per diuisam<sup>a</sup> de Manneby et de Berton et de Scalleby et item usque ad diuisam de Malmeton, et communem pasturam de Ragenilthorp quingentis ouibus et decem uaccis et iumentis siluestribus eorum, et duabis carucatis boum cum ceteris commodis de turba et de brueria; et culturam de Martynwell que iacet ex north parte, scilicet xiiij acras cum communi pastura in campo<sup>b</sup> Holm, et focalia de turba et brueria et aquam de Martinewell, ubicumque uoluerint ad usus suos ducere, et similiter in Engcroft ex north parte grangie sue de Tyngemor et Croftes<sup>c</sup> est ex parte bouarii sui — que omnia Gilbertus filius Radulphi [f. 99<sup>v</sup>] dedit eis, sicut carta eius testatur; et terram quam Robertus de Nouell<sup>d</sup> dedit eisdem monachis in toftis et slettis de Malmeton, cum communi pastura ceterisque omnimodis ad feodum illud pertinentibus tam de turba quam de brueria, de brueria quoque eiusdem uille. Concessimus quoque fratribus loci prenominati quicquid poterunt aratro frangere et in terram arabilem propriis usibus profuturam uertere et<sup>d</sup> xx acras de terra culta in campis de Holm, x acras ex west parte de Suthon et x super Assedalehil, pertingentes ad assatum<sup>e</sup> eiusdem Roberti de Neuueyll<sup>f</sup>, et communem pasturam et focalia de turba et brueria; et locum ubi constructa est grangia eorum que uocatur Tyngemor, sicut ambitur fossato, et tres acras terre in toftis de<sup>g</sup> Ragenildthorp,<sup>h</sup> et quicquid ipsi fossauerunt<sup>i</sup> in campis de Malmeton de foris grangiam suam, et calceam quam fecerunt ante portam eiusdem grangie, sicut carte eiusdem Roberti testantur; et totam terram quam Henricus filius Radulphi dedit eis in campo de Messyngham,<sup>h</sup> scilicet sicut uia uenit de ponte de Holm et diuidit magnas slettas et paruas et uadit usque ad campos de<sup>k</sup> Malmeton ex est parte usque ad campos de Ragenilthorp, in

<sup>a</sup> fossa . . . diuisa A.<sup>b</sup> de MS. dicti A.<sup>c</sup> Croftis A.<sup>d</sup> in MS.<sup>e</sup> sar-tum MS. <sup>f</sup> Neuyl<sup>l</sup> A.<sup>g</sup> et A.<sup>h</sup> Ragenilthorp . . . Messingham . . . Tergisius

. . . Lairlondes . . . Messingham (bis) A.

<sup>i</sup> sic MSS. (for fossauerunt, they have dyked).<sup>k</sup> om. MS.<sup>1</sup> Either the brother of Gilbert son of Ralph or Henry of Messingham (see Henry II's charter, cited below).<sup>2-2</sup> The grants of Simon son of Henry are not included in Henry II's confirmation (see below):

bosco et plano, in mora et marisco et tocius uille comunam, in pascuis et riuus, in<sup>a</sup> brueriis et mariscis et ceteris aisiamentis ad feudum suum pertinentibus, et totam culturam que dicitur magne slettis ex est parte eiusdem uille, sicut carte eiusdem H(enrici) testantur; et duas bouatas terre cum pertinentiis in campis de Messyngham, exceptis toftis quas Tergisius\* tenuit; et unam bouatam terre cum pertinentiis que fuit Lamberti Suarri; et unum toftum quod fuit Willelmi de la Mare; et unam bouatam terre cum pertinentiis que fuit Willelmi de Rebarn (?); et alias quatuor bouatas terre cum pertinentiis [f. 100] quas Normannus sacerdos de Ragenilthorp tenuit; et unum sellionem apud Lairlondis\* et ij tofta in Messyngham,\* scilicet quod Rogerus de Eboraco tenuit et alterum quod fuit Stephani clerici, que omnia Symon filius Henrici dedit eis in teritorio de Mesyngham,\* sicut carte eius testantur; concessimus et confirmauimus eis communem pasturam in campis de Messyngham<sup>b</sup> quinquaginta equabus cum pullis eorum trium annorum, et fossare et includere uersus eos et in proprios (usus) conuereere quocumque modo uoluerint quicquid continetur infra has diuisas, quod ad feudum nostrum pertinet, uidelicet sicut uia uenit de ponte de Holm et diuidit magnas et paruas slettas et uadit usque ad campum de Malmeton et ex est parte usque ad campum de Ragenilthorp, in bosco et plano et mora et marisco, in terra culta integre et plenarie, sicut carte eiusdem Symonis testantur.

*Text.* Also in A, ff. 42<sup>v</sup>-43<sup>v</sup> (and C2, ff. 73<sup>v</sup>-74<sup>v</sup>).

*Date.* This charter lacks protocol and witnesses, and is therefore difficult to date closely. It is clearly a confirmation from the abbot and convent of Peterborough to Louth Park Abbey of the land on which they had established their grange at Twigmore, which lay in the fee of Peterborough (cf. P, p. 47). The Cistercians liked to receive concentrated blocks of territory, even for their outlying granges; and this charter confirms a fairly consolidated piece of land lying mainly in the south of Ravenhorpe and the adjacent villages. Ravenhorpe lies about four miles south-east of Scunthorpe, and the other villages named lie round it, in an arc running from north-east to west: Manby, Broughton, Scawby, Manton (to the south), Messingham, and Holme. Scotter and Scotton (the centre of the Neville fee) lie west and south-west of Manton.

Louth Park was founded in the 1130's; and the bulk of these endowments were included in Henry II's confirmation, which can be dated 1155-8.<sup>1</sup> The grants by Simon son of Henry (probably son of Henry of Messingham), the only ones not included in Henry II's confirmation, seem likely to date from the second half of the 12th century; and the late 12th or early 13th century is therefore the likely occasion for this comprehensive confirmation from Peterborough.

In 1216 the abbot and convent of Louth Park granted to Peterborough Abbey an annual pension of 2 marks in exchange for a confirmation of Twigmore (Swa, f. cxviiij; Pc, ff. 77<sup>v</sup>-78, 175<sup>v</sup>). It seems very likely that this is the same confirmation.

501. Grant without warranty by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to Michael de Clairvaux and his heirs of 2 acres near the house of Richard of Scotendon towards the west, to be held of the sacrist, for an annual rent of 2s. (cf. no. 503). 1194-9

Notum sit omnibus tam posteris quam presentibus quod ego Andreas Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus<sup>c</sup> concessimus et<sup>d</sup> dedimus et presenti carta confirmauimus dilecto et fideli nostro Michaeli de Clareuall et heredibus suis duas acras prope domum Ricardi de Scotundone<sup>e</sup> uersus occidentem; libere et pacifice de sacrista<sup>f</sup> nostra tenendas, reddendo singulis annis sacriste ecclesie nostre pro omni terreno seruicio duos solidos

\* See p. 172, note h.    \* et A.    <sup>b</sup> Messingham id est A.    <sup>c</sup> F adds deuotus in Christo.  
<sup>d</sup> om. F.    <sup>e</sup> Scotindon'... Braybroc'... Bernike... Scotindon'... Werminton'... Wyngcham F.  
<sup>f</sup> sacristia F.

<sup>1</sup> *Calendar of Charter Rolls*, iii. 247-8; it is dated at York, and witnessed, among others, by Theobald, archbishop of Canterbury. Since Henry was not in England between 1158 and Theobald's death, and could not have been at York as king before February 1155, it can be dated 1155-8. The most likely date for it is either February 1155 or early 1158, when Henry is known to have been in the north-east (R. W. Eyton, *Court, household and itinerary of King Henry II* (London, 1878), pp. 5, 33).

sterlingorum ad duos terminos anni, uidelicet ad Pascha xij<sup>d.</sup>, ad festum Sancti Michaelis xij<sup>d.</sup> Quod ut perpetue firmitatis robur optineat, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione duximus confirmandam. Hiis testibus: Roberto de Braibrok,\* Gileberto<sup>a</sup> de Bernak\* tunc senescallo abbacie Burgi, Stephano [*f. 100<sup>v</sup>*] de Marham, Roberto de Neouill', Ricardo de Scotundon,\* Henrico de Wermynghon,\* Willelmo de Wyngham,\* Ricardo de Lilleford et aliis.

*Text.* Also in F, p. 4.

502. Fine (final concord) made in the king's court at Gloucester on 25 July 1190 before William (Longchamp) bishop of Ely, papal legate, royal chancellor and justiciar, Godfrey (de Lucy) bishop of Winchester, G. (Warin) precentor of Evreux, Robert of Wheatfield,<sup>1</sup> Simon of Pattishall, and others (royal justices), between Abbot Benedict and William of Clapton, about one virgate of land in Clapton containing 150 acres, with its capital messuage and all appurtenances, which the abbot claimed against William. William acknowledged the abbot's right and quit-claimed the virgate and all its appurtenances—to be held by the abbot and his successors of William and his heirs—for which the abbot gave him 10 marks of silver and Emma his wife 12 besants.<sup>2</sup> 25 July 1190

Hec est finalis concordia facta in curia domini regis apud Gloucestriam die sancti Jacobi apostoli anno primo regni regis Ricardi, coram Willelmo Elyensi episcopo apostolice sedis legato et domini regis cancellario et iusticia domini regis et G(odefrido) Wynton(iensi)<sup>b</sup> episcopo et G(uarino) Ebrouicensi<sup>c</sup> cantore et Roberto de<sup>d</sup> Wytfeld<sup>b</sup> et Symone<sup>b</sup> de Pateshull' et aliis baronibus et fidelibus domini regis tunc ibidem<sup>e</sup> presentibus—inter Benedictum<sup>f</sup> abbatem de Burgo et Willelmum de Clopton, de j virgata terre in Clopton que continet septies xx acras terre et x, cum capitali mesuagio<sup>g</sup> et omnibus aliis pertinentiis, quam predictus abbas de Burgo clamabat uersus prenomiatum Willelmum de Clopton<sup>h</sup> sicut ius suum et dominium et sicut ius<sup>i</sup> ecclesie Beati Petri de Burgo. Unde<sup>k</sup> placitum fuit inter eos in curia domini regis,<sup>l</sup> scilicet quod predictus Willelmus<sup>m</sup> recognouit predictam uirgatam terre cum capitali mesuagio<sup>g</sup> et cum omnibus aliis pertinentiis suis esse ius et dominium prenominati abbatis de Burgo et ius ecclesie Beati<sup>n</sup> Petri de Burgo,<sup>k</sup> et reddidit eam quietam<sup>o</sup> Deo et ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo et prenominato abbati de Burgo et successoribus suis de se et heredibus suis<sup>o</sup> cum omnibus pertinentiis suis inperpetuum. Et pro hac quieta clamancia predictus abbas dedit prenominato Willelmo<sup>m</sup> x marcas argenti<sup>p</sup> et Emme uxori sue xij<sup>q</sup> bisancia.

*Text.* Also in Pc, f. 122<sup>r-v</sup>, Swa, f. clxxj<sup>r-v</sup>, A, f. 121<sup>v</sup> (and C2, f. 14).

503. Grant by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to Michael de Clairvaux their follower (*familiaris*)<sup>3</sup> of land and buildings previously held by Christiana daughter of Osbert, who was concubine of Reginald late priest in Peterborough, which lie between the house of Richard of *Scotendon* and the house formerly held by Ranulph Skinner; to be held of them for an annual rent of 12*d.* (cf. no. 501). 1194-9

\* See p. 173, note e.    <sup>a</sup> Gilberto MS.    <sup>b</sup> Winton'... Wittefed... Simone PcSwaA    <sup>c</sup> G. Ebrouie MS. T.Eborac' ceteri.    <sup>d</sup> om. MS.    <sup>e</sup> ibidem tunc MS.    <sup>f</sup> Benedictum MS. B. ceteri.    <sup>g</sup> masagio MS.    <sup>h</sup> Willelmum de Clopton MS. W. ceteri.    <sup>i</sup> om. A.    <sup>k-k</sup> Unde—Burgo om. A.    <sup>l</sup> curia domini regis MS. prefata curia PcSwa.    <sup>m</sup> Willelmus... Willelmo MS. W. ceteri.    <sup>n</sup> Sancti Pc.    <sup>o-o</sup> Deo—heredibus suis om. MS.    <sup>p</sup> om. APCswa.    <sup>q</sup> x A.

<sup>1</sup> Warin precentor of Evreux occurs as a royal justice in 1190-1 (*Pipe Roll*, 3 Richard I, pp. 134, 146). Robert of Wheatfield occurs frequently as royal justice at this time; his home was at Wheatfield in Oxfordshire (*Boarstall Cartulary*, ed. H. E. Salter, pp. 306-7).

<sup>2</sup> The besant was strictly a Byzantine gold coin; it is not uncommonly mentioned in transactions of this period, especially in token payments to ladies—normally, one presumes, a gold coin used as an ornament. 10 or 12 besants is an unusually high figure.

<sup>3</sup> Either a servant, member of their household, or household official.

Sciant omnes tam presentes quam futuri quod ego Andreas Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus dilecto et familiari nostro Michaeli de Clareuallē terram cum edificiis que fuerat Christiane filie Osberti, que fuit amica Reginaldi [f. 101] quondam sacerdotis in Burgo—illa scilicet que iacent inter domum Ricardi de Scotundon et domum que fuit Ranulphi pelliparii; illi et heredibus suis hereditarie tenenda de nobis, adeo libere, quiete, honorifice sicut unquam prefata Christiana melius, quietius unquam tenuisse dinoscitur, reddendo singulis annis terminis quibus alii census uille redduntur pro omni seruicio et consuetudine xij denarios sterlingorum. Et ne in posterum lis ab aliquo uersus iamdictum Michaelē uel heredes suos suscitari possit, terram prescriptam cum edificiis presenti carta et sigillorum nostrorum appositione confirmauimus, (et) predicto Michaeli et eius heredibus warrantizabimus. Testibus hiis: Roberto de Braibrok, Gilberto de Bernak tunc senescallo de Burgo, Willelmo de Helpiston, Rogero de Wodecroft, magistro Roberto de Glemeford, Henrico de Wermynghon, magistro Iuone de Ufford, Rogero de Fescampo, Warino de Fescampo, magistro Gaufrido, Drogone filio Ricardi, Willelmo de Eswythe, Ricardo de Scotendon et aliis.

504. Grant without warranty by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to Walter of Stilton, son of Osbert, and his heirs of land and buildings in Peterborough lying between the land of Warin of Fécamp and the house of William of Wingham, with its appurtenances; and an empty messuage in the vill of Fletton (Hunts.) and a virgate of land in Fletton with the appurtenances attached to the messuage; all of which his father Osbert held of them while he lived; for an annual rent of 7s.—6s. to the abbot's chamber, 1s. to the sacrist, saving forinsec service. They have received Walter's homage.<sup>1</sup> 1194-9

Notum sit omnibus tam posteris quam presentibus quod ego Andreas Dei gratia abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus unanimi assensu concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Waltero de Styltoun filio Osberti et heredibus suis, terram cum edificiis in Burgo que interiacet terram Warini de Fescampo ex una parte et domum Willelmi de Wyngham ex alia parte, cum omnibus rationabilibus pertinenciis; et mesuagium uacuum in uilla de Fletton et uirgata terre in campis de Fletton cum pertinenciis eidem mesuagio adiacentibus,<sup>a</sup> [f. 101<sup>v</sup>] que pater suus Osbertus de nobis tenuit quoad uixit; libere, quiete, hereditarie tenenda et pacifice possidenda de nobis, reddendo inde singulis annis pro omni seruicio quod ad nos pertinet septem solidos sterlingorum, uidelicet sex solidos camere abbatis ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad Pascha xviiij<sup>d</sup>., in Natiuitate Sancti Johannis Baptiste xviiij<sup>d</sup>., in festo Sancti Michaelis xviiij<sup>d</sup>., in Natiuitate Domini nostri Jesu Christi xviiij<sup>d</sup>., et duodecim denarios singulis annis sacriste ecclesie nostre ad quatuor terminos predictos, scilicet ad Pascha iij<sup>d</sup>., in festo Sancti Johannis iij<sup>d</sup>., in festo Sancti Michaelis iij<sup>d</sup>., in festo Natiuitatis Domini nostri Jesu Christi iij<sup>d</sup>., saluo forinseco seruicio de hiis terris prescriptis. Humagium prefati Walteri cepimus.<sup>1</sup> Et ne in posterum uersus iam dictum Walterum uel heredes suos super predictis terris a successoribus nostris lis aliqua suscitari possit, sigillorum nostrorum munimine<sup>b</sup> presentem cartam corroborauimus, et testibus hiis communuimus: Rogero de Torpel, Gilberto de Bernak tunc senescallo, Gaufrido constabulario (*sic*), Gaufrido filio Gaufridi, Ricardo de Wassyngele, Geruasio de Bernak, Roberto de Sancto Medardo, Guydone de Folkeswythe, Henrico de Longeuill', Rogero filio eius, Elia de Folkesworthe, Martino de Pappele, Ricardo de Hamerton, Roberto Gargate, Roberto filio Johannis et tota curia.

<sup>a</sup> adiacentem MS.

<sup>b</sup> minime MS.

<sup>1</sup> This sentence, perched in the middle of the charter, reads oddly, as if it were a gloss which had been incorporated into the text by a copyist.

505. Grant without warranty by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to Geoffrey of Barnack, son of Hugh, and his heirs of all the land with appurtenances in Barnack, Bainton, and Cathwaite (in Paston)<sup>1</sup> for which he and his predecessors have paid 8s. per annum rent; to be held of them for the fourth part of a knight's fee, for which he shall be responsible to the abbot's chamber with the other knights of the barony of Peterborough. 1194-9

Sciunt omnes tam presentes quam futuri quod ego Andreas dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Galfrido de Bernak filio Hugonis et heredibus suis terras omnes cum pertinentiis, scilicet in Bernak et in Badyngton<sup>a</sup> et in Catheweyt, pro quibus [f. 102] antecessores eius solebant reddere et ipse singulis annis ecclesie nostre pro omni seruicio ad nos pertinente viij solidos sterlingorum; tenendas de nobis hereditarie per seruicium quarte partis feodi unius militis, unde camere abbatis cum aliis militibus baronie Burgi respondebit. Quare uolumus ut prefatus G(alfridus) de Bernak et heredes sui hereditarie, libere, bene et in pace, integre et honorifice habeant et teneant predicta tenementa, quieta ab omni seruicio ad nos pertinente per seruicium predictum, scilicet quarte partis feodi unius militis in exercitu. Et ne hoc ab aliquo successorum nostrorum infringi possit, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione confirmauimus, <sup>bet</sup> testibus hiis communiuimus: R(oberto) de Braybrok, R. de Horpol,<sup>c</sup> G(aufrido) de la Mare, G(aufrido) filio G(aufridi (?)) et tota curia de Castre.<sup>b</sup>

Text. Also in A, f. 43<sup>v</sup> (and C2, ff. 74<sup>v</sup>-75).

Dated 1194 in P, p. 124 n.; but no evidence for this date is given, and it seems to be due to an oversight.

506. Grant without warranty by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to Walter Gubbe son of Eve of Warmington and his heirs (of land) with buildings and a croft attached to the buildings, which were held by Gilbert son of St'una in the vill of Warmington, which Robert Gargate gave to the almonry in free alms; and also 1 acre of land by Smalegate also granted to the almonry by Robert Gargate; to be held of Robert for a yearly rent to the almonry of 1s. If Walter Gubbe acquires 1 or 2 acres of land at the most from any man except the abbey's villeins and assigns it to the almonry Walter and his heirs shall not pay a higher rent for the land now granted to them, but shall hold it of Robert for ever for the 1s. aforesaid.<sup>2</sup> 1194-9

Notum sit omnibus tam presentibus quam futuris quod ego Andreas permissione diuina abbas<sup>d</sup> ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus concessimus Waltero Gubbe filio Eue de Wermynghon et heredibus suis (terram) cum edificiis et crofto ad predicta edificia pertinente, que fuerunt Gilberti filii St'une in uilla de Wermynghon, que Robertus Gargat in puram et perpetuam elemosinam elemosinarie nostre ecclesie ob salutem suam et antecessorum suorum et successorum contulit; et preterea unam acram terre arabilis iuxta Smalegate quam de dono prefati Roberti Gargate elemosinaria prefata consecuta est; habenda et pacifice de Roberto tenenda, libere et quiete ab omni terreno seruicio, reddendo elemosinarie nostre in singulis annis in festo Sancti Petri ad uincula duodecim denarios sterlingorum. Et si forte pre-nominatus Walterus Gubbe ab aliquo homine preter quam rusticis nostris

<sup>a</sup> Badington A. <sup>b-b</sup> et—Castre MS. Hiis testibus etc. A.

<sup>c</sup> Or Horpel (sic), perhaps

for Thorpel.

<sup>d</sup> abbas diuina MS.

<sup>1</sup> For Cathwaite (the name is now lost), see *P.N. Northants.*, pp. 240-1.

<sup>2</sup> The meaning of this passage is far from clear; and the problem is not eased by the state of the text (see p. 177, n. a). It looks as if Walter had had some claim on the land granted by Robert to the almonry; and as if the arrangement made in the present charter included an understanding that Walter (probably with Robert's help) would in due course acquire an equivalent piece of land (not from one of the abbey tenants) and assign it to the almonry in exchange for the plot which is the subject of this charter. Hence this peculiar clause which guarantees Walter his land without an increase in rent. ('Per catallum consequi' probably means 'to obtain by purchase' (i.e. for goods) or possibly 'for compensation' to the almonry). Robert Gargate occurs in 1169, 1179, and after 1194 (P, pp. 126-7 n., no. 504).

unam acram uel duas acras terre ad [*f. 102<sup>v</sup>*] plus rationabiliter per catallum consecutus fuerit et terram illam elemosinarie nostre assignauerit, idem Walterus et illius heredes pro terra illa modo consecuta redditum suum non excressent set illam tenebunt in perpetuum de Roberto per *xijd.* prescriptos<sup>a</sup> pro omnibus seruiciis. Quod ut ratum habeatur et firmum presentem cartam sub sigillis nostris et in futurorum memoriam dedimus, (et) testibus hiis corroborauimus: Gilberto de Bernake, Martino de Pappelle et aliis multis.

507. Grant without warranty by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to Geoffrey Crasse (Crassus) and his heirs of a house in the vill(age) of Oundle, previously held by Richard Perenord, and 1 acre in the croft adjoining the same holding; and also 18 acres in Oundle and 2 acres of meadow, to hold of the abbey for an annual rent of 32*d.* and forinsec service. The 20 acres lie as follows: 6 at *Erleneforlong* which were ploughmen's land,<sup>1</sup> 5 of ploughmen's land at the boundary of Stoke Doyle in the lower furlong; 3 in *Nakelebrok* at *Lanesende* (Lane's end); 3 at *Fletsyke* (cf. modern Overflitt); 1 beside the green road towards *Fletsike*; 2 acres of meadow in *Penymedwe*. 1194-9

Notum sit omnibus tam posteris quam presentibus quod ego Andreas permissione diuina abbas ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo<sup>b</sup> et eiusdem loci conuentus concessimus et dedimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Gaufrido Crasse et heredibus suis, unam mansuram in uilla de Undele que fuit Ricardi Perenord<sup>c</sup> et unam acram terre in crofto predictae mansure adiacente; et preterea *xviij* acras terre in teritorio de Undele, et duas acras prati de nobis, bene et in pace, integre et honorifice inperpetuum habendas et pacifice tenendas,<sup>d</sup> per seruicium annuum *xxxij* denariorum. Quare uolumus ut<sup>e</sup> prefatus Gaufridus Crassus et heredes sui terras prescriptas habeant et possideant pacifice, reddendo inde nobis singulis annis,<sup>f</sup> terminis quibus alii census uille de Undele soluuntur, triginta duos denarios pro omnibus seruiciis ad nos pertinentibus, saluo seruicio forenseco. Terre autem prescripte sic iacent in campis de Undele: *vj* acre apud *Erleneforlong* que fuerunt de terra bubulcorum; quinque acre de terra bubulcorum apud diuisam de Stokes in inferiori quarentena; tres acras (*sic*) terre in *Nakelebrok* apud *Lanesende*; tres acre apud *Fletsyke*; una acre iuxta uiridam (*sic*) uiam uersus *Fletsike*;<sup>g</sup> due acre prati in *Penymedwe*.<sup>h</sup> Quoniam autem hanc nostram donationem tractu temporis alicuius [*f. 103*] malignitate nequaquam infirmari uolumus, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione communiuimus, et testibus hiis corroborauimus<sup>i</sup>: Gilberto de Bernak tunc senescallo Burgi, Rogero de Dorpel, Stephano de Marham et aliis. (*On f. 102<sup>v</sup>, in a different hand*: Post istam compositionem scribatur factum predicti Galfr(idi). Swa, fol. 219.<sup>1</sup>)

*Text.* Also A, ff. 43<sup>v</sup>-44 (and C2, f. 75<sup>r-v</sup>).

508. Loan granted by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to William of Burghley, on all his holding of the abbey in Stamford, which he held for 15 marks per annum, and on all the tenants of the holding on both sides of the bridge, for 40 silver marks per annum to pay his debts to the Jews of Stamford. When William or his heirs pay the money and present this charter, the holdings and all their appurtenances will be returned, to be held at farm as before. They will also return to him two charters which they have on the same agreement, without prejudice to their dispute on the mortgage of £10 which Abbot William (de Waterville, 1155-75) and the convent lent him on the same tenement; and without prejudice to their plea that William holds the tenement wrongfully (cf. P, pp. 88-89 n.). 1177-93

Benedictus Dei gratia abbas ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo totusque eiusdem loci conuentus omnibus fidelibus ad quos presentes litere peruenerint salutem. Sciatis quod nos commodauimus Willelmo de Burgelai, super totum

<sup>a</sup> *ijjd.* proscriptos MS. <sup>b</sup> abbas—Burgo MS. abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri A. <sup>c</sup> Peren-  
hord . . . Fletsyke . . . Penymedouwe A. <sup>d</sup> habenda . . . tenenda MS. <sup>e</sup> ut uolumus  
MS. <sup>f</sup> annis MS. <sup>g</sup> A ends here with etc.

<sup>1</sup> See M. M. Postan: *The Famulus* (*Econ. Hist. Rev. Supplements*, 2), pp. 12, 34 n.

tenementum de Staunford quod a nobis tenuit pro xv marcis per annum et supra omnes tenentes eiusdem tenementi citra pontem et ultra, xl marcas per annum argenti ad aquietandum se uersus Judeos de Staunford; ita quod quando idem Willelmus uel heredes eius reddiderint nobis predictam pecuniam cum hac carta nostra, nos reddemus eidem Willelmo uel heredibus ipsius predicta tenementa cum omnibus pertinenciis suis; tenenda de nobis ad firmam sicut idem W(illelmus) prius ea<sup>a</sup> tenuit. Reddemus etiam ei duas cartas quas super hanc conuencionem de ipso habemus, salua querela nostra de uadio decem librarum quas Willelmus abbas et conuentus ei super idem tenementum commodauerunt, et salua querela nostra et calumpnia qua dicimus quod prefatus Willelmus iniuste tenebat illud tenementum.<sup>1</sup>

509. Grant without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Simon their chamberlain of the land which Geoffrey son of Wlfchetel held in Bainton with its appurtenances, for the same service. 1177-82

Benedictus abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis tam presentibus quam futuris salutem. Sciatis nos de communi assensu concessisse et dedisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Simoni camerario nostro in feodum et hereditatem, terram que fuit Gaufridi filii Wlfchetelli in Badyngton cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, per tale seruicium inde faciendum quale predictus Gaufridus de eadem terra facere solebat. Uolumus igitur et precipimus ut idem Simon et heredes sui habeant [f. 103<sup>v</sup>] et teneant predictam terram hereditarie, honorifice et pacifice, ita bene et libere sicut predictus Gaufridus uel eius antecessores eam umquam melius et liberius tenuerunt. Hiis testibus: domino Waleranno Baiocensi archidiacono, Rodberto de Neuill', Ricardo Gubyoun.

*Date.* Waleran archdeacon of Bayeux became bishop of Rochester in 1182 (*Gesta Henrici Secundi*, ed. Stubbs, i. 29; Gervase of Canterbury, ed. Stubbs, i. 302).

510. Grant without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Solomon brother of Virgilius the clerk and his heirs of all the land which Alexander held in Werrington, to be held of themselves with all its appurtenances for the same service. For this grant Solomon gave 100s. for the fabric of the abbey church. 1177-93

Benedictus abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis tam presentibus quam futuris salutem. Sciatis nos de communi assensu concessisse et dedisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Salomoni fratri Uirgilii clerici et heredibus suis,<sup>b</sup> totam terram que fuit Alexandri in Wytherington; tenendam de nobis in feodum et hereditatem cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus in terris, pratis, pascuis, per tale seruicium singulis annis de eadem terra faciendum, quale predictus Alexander inde facere solebat. Uolumus igitur et precipimus ut idem Salomon et heredes sui habeant et teneant prescriptam terram cum omnibus pertinenciis suis hereditarie, honorifice et pacifice, ita bene, libere et integre sicut memoratus Alexander uel eius antecessores ullo umquam tempore melius et liberius eam tenuerit; et pro hac concessione<sup>c</sup> dedit nobis predictus Salomon centum solidos ad operacionem ecclesie nostre.

511. Grant without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Master Amicus their clerk (cf. no. 496, 513) of the church of Peakirk, which is allocated to the sacrist, together with the chapel of Glinton and all the church's appurtenances, for an annual pension to the sacrist of 15s.; without prejudice to the arrangement between Amicus and

<sup>a</sup> eam MS.

<sup>b</sup> MS. places et heredibus suis after Wytherington.

<sup>c</sup> per hanc concessionem MS.

<sup>1</sup> No. 508 was printed in *Northants. Notes and Queries*, N.S., v. 84.



Herbert archdeacon of Canterbury.<sup>1</sup> In addition they grant Master Amicus of their lay fee 1 virgate of land which Master Walter Belet held, with the messuage beside the cemetery of Peakirk, for an annual rent of 5s. and ten pink-footed geese (?),<sup>2</sup> or 12*d.* if the geese cannot be found. 1177-91 (see no. 496)

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis B(enedictus) Dei gratia abbas de Burgo totusque eiusdem loci conuentus salutem in Domino. Ad uniuersitatis uestre noticiam uolumus peruenire nos de communi assensu concessisse et dedisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse magistro Amico clerico nostro ecclesiam de Psychirche sacriste nostre deputatam, cum capella de Glynton et cum omnibus ad eandem ecclesiam pertinentibus, ita bene, libere et integre tenendam<sup>a</sup> sicut aliquis predecessorum suorum melius, plenius et liberius eam<sup>b</sup> umquam ullo tempore noscitur tenuisse, soluendo inde singulis annis sacriste ecclesie nostre nomine annue pensionis xv solidos ad duos anni terminos, scilicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis vijs. et vjd., ad Pascha vijs. et vjd.—salua transactione inter ipsum Amicum et Herbertum Cant(uariensem) [f. 104] archidiaconum—uel ab eadem ecclesia quoquomodo decresserit.<sup>1</sup> Preterea concessimus eidem A(mico) clerico nostro de laico feodo nostro unam uirgata[m] terre quam magister Walterus Belet tenuit de nobis, cum masagio quod est iuxta cimiterium de Psych(irch), reddendo singulis annis de eadem uirgata terre pro omni seruicio et consuetudine v solidos et x aucas rosarios (sic) uel xij denarios si forte huiusmodi auce non possunt inueniri. Hiis testibus: Roberto de Neuill', Rogero Bacun, magistro Ricardo Fall, Reginaldo et Garino capellanis, Salomone fratre abbatis, Simone camerario, Pagono (sic) scriptore, Willelmo filio Josephi, Henrico Salesberiensic et Willelmo Norwicensi.

512. Confirmation without warranty by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent of the gift made by R. de Neville<sup>3</sup> in their presence to Peter the clerk, his son, of the houses which he held in Peterborough, i.e. the house before the great gate<sup>4</sup> with its appurtenances, for an annual rent of 1 lb. of pepper, and the house which Robert de Neville bought of Eustace, for an annual rent of 6*d.* owed to the same Eustace. 1177-91 (see no. 496)

Benedictus abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus omnibus hominibus suis Francis et Anglis tam presentibus quam futuris salutem. Sciatis nos de communi assensu concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Petro clerico donacionem quam R. de Nouilla pater suus fecit ei in presencia nostra, de domibus suis quas habuit in Burgo, uidelicet de domo illa que est ante magnam portam cum pertinentiis que eidem domui appendent; reddendo inde nobis singulis annis pro omni seruicio et consuetudine in festo apostolorum Petri et Pauli j libram piperis; et preterea de alia domo quam Robertus de Nouilla emit ab Eustachio per seruicium vj denariorum, qui eidem Eustachio<sup>4</sup> annuatim debentur. Quare uolumus et firmiter precipimus quod predictus Petrus habeat et teneat predictas domos libere et quiete et hereditarie per prenomiatum seruicium. Hiis testibus: magistro Amico, Rogero Bacun et aliis multis.

*Date.* Probably later than 497, which refers to Eustace's house.

<sup>a</sup> tenendum MS.

<sup>b</sup> eo MS.

<sup>c</sup> Salesberiensis MS.

<sup>d</sup> Eustachium MS.

<sup>1</sup> The meaning of this sentence is obscure and we have not tried to render the words 'uel ab eadem ecclesia quoquomodo decresserit'. It probably refers to the method of payment, and a balancing 'uel ipse' or the like may be missing. 'Decresserit' may be an error for 'decreuerit'. Presumably Herbert had a claim to a part of the church or to a pension from it; and this is an obscure reference to a type of dispute very common in the late 12th century. Herbert (Poore) was later bishop of Salisbury (1194-1217).

<sup>2</sup> The meaning of 'auca rosaria' is not certain; probably either a pink-footed goose or a shel-drake.

<sup>3</sup> Probably Robert (Robertus), as below; but see no. 496.

<sup>4</sup> Presumably the gate-house of the abbey.



513. Grant without warranty by Abbot B(enedict) (1177-93) and the convent to Master Amicus of the chapel of Paston, to hold as William Guito held it (cf. no. 514), i.e. saving two sheaves<sup>1</sup> of four knights, to wit Ivo of Gunthorpe, Ascelin of Paston, Robert Peverel, and Robert Grip, and two franklins, Aluric of Werrington and Odo of Werrington, which were confirmed long before to the altar (i.e. abbey) and sacristy of Peterborough by the privilege of Pope Eugenius,<sup>2</sup> for an annual pension to the altar of 1 mark.<sup>3</sup> In addition they grant two sheaves of the whole parish of the chapel of Paston and two thirds of the third sheaf of the tithes of the four knights which they assign to the support of the poor, on which account Amicus will pay annually to the almoner a pension of  $\frac{1}{2}$  mark of silver. Amicus will hold these tithes assigned as alms on condition of this pension until they assign to him a better benefice, when the tithes will be retained by the almonry in their integrity; the grant of the chapel, on condition of paying the pension of 1 mark, is in perpetuity. 1177-91

Uniuersis<sup>a</sup> sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos littere presentes peruenerint B. Dei gratia abbas Sancti Petri de Burgo et totus eiusdem loci conuentus, eternam in Christi salutem.<sup>a</sup> Nouerit uniuersitas uestra quod<sup>b</sup> nos unanimi assensu concessimus<sup>b</sup> et presenti carta confirmauimus<sup>b</sup> magistro Amico<sup>c</sup> clerico nostro capellam nostram de Pastona, tenendam sicut Willelmus Guito<sup>d</sup> presbiter eam<sup>e</sup> tenuit, scilicet exceptis duabus garbis quatuor militum, Yuonis uidelicet de [f. 104<sup>v</sup>] Gunntorp,<sup>d</sup> Ascelini de Pastona, Roberti Peuereli et Roberti Grip,<sup>d</sup> et duorum frankelanorum, Alurici scilicet<sup>e</sup> de Witeringtona<sup>d</sup> et Odonis de eadem,<sup>f</sup> que altario et sacristarie<sup>g</sup> de Burgo antiquitus per priuilegium Pape Eugenii sunt confirmate. Soluet<sup>h</sup> autem idem A(micus) nomine supradicte capelle singulis annis altario de Burgo unam marcam argenti—in Natali<sup>i</sup> Domini dimidiam marcam, in Natiuitate Beati<sup>k</sup> Johannis Baptiste dimidiam marcam. Et preterea concessimus eidem A(mico) duas garbas tocus parochie capelle de Paston et duas partes tertie garbe decimarum predictorum militum quas ad pauperum sustentacionem assignamus, quarum nomine idem A(micus) soluet annuatim elemosinario nostro dimidiam marcam argenti de recognitione in festo Sancti Michaelis. Tenebit ita sepedictus A(micus)<sup>l</sup> has predictas decimas ad elemosinam<sup>m</sup> assignatas sub predicta pensione quousque aliquid uberius et maius beneficium ecclesiasticum ei assignauerimus, ita quod extunc eodem decime libere et sine contradiccione perpetuis temporibus remaneant ad elemosinariam<sup>n</sup> de Burgo. Capellam autem prenominatam inperpetuum ut predictum est ei concedimus sub predicta pensione unius marce tenendam. Testes:<sup>o</sup> Robertus de Nouill' clericus, Reginaldus presbiter de Burgo, Rogerus Baco, Willelmus filius Godardi, Symon Camerarius, Henricus de Sareb(eria), Bartholomeus de Mildelton senescallus de Burgo, et alii multi.

*Text.* Also in Pc, f. 21<sup>v</sup>, Swa, ff. cx<sup>v</sup>-cx<sup>i</sup>. The absence of a protocol in the MS. and the number of variants suggest that its text comes from a different source, perhaps from a draft; since Pc and Swa give the fuller text, we print theirs. Minor variants of Swa are not noted.

*Date.* Amicus had left Abbot Benedict's service by 1191 (see note to no. 496). Ivo of Gunthorpe and Robert Peverel were both dead by 1189 (P, pp. 69-70 n., 123 n.); but the list of names may have been taken over unrevised, from no. 514. No. 511 is the grant of a better benefice to which this charter looks forward.

<sup>a</sup>-<sup>a</sup> Uniuersis—salutem PcSwa; MS. omits. <sup>b</sup> MS. om. quod and reads concessisse . . . confirmasse <sup>c</sup> A MS. <sup>d</sup> Gutto . . . Gunthorp . . . Gryp . . . Wetheryngtona (Wid-rington' Pc) MS. <sup>e</sup> om. MS. <sup>f</sup> Wytheryngton MS. <sup>g</sup> sacriste MS. <sup>h</sup> solus MS. <sup>i</sup> Natiuitate MS. <sup>k</sup> Sancti MS. <sup>l</sup> Amicus MS. <sup>m</sup> elemosinas MS. <sup>n</sup> elemosinam PcSwa. <sup>o</sup> MS. ends here with Hiis testibus: Radulpho de Neuill' (sic, cf. no. 531).

<sup>1</sup> i.e. two-thirds of the tithe of corn, the major tithes due from the fees of the six men, which had been already granted (or farmed), to Amicus some time before (F, pp. 65-66). The arrangement by which approximately two-thirds of the tithe is assigned to various offices in the abbey seems to be an informal appropriation, giving the 'rector' two-thirds and the 'vicar' one-third. In this case, as was not uncommon, the 'vicar' farmed the whole tithe for a pension to the 'rector'.

<sup>2</sup> Printed in the *Chronicle of Hugh Candidus*, ed. W. T. Mellows (London, 1949), pp. 109-16.

<sup>3</sup> His predecessor had paid 10 marks (no. 514). In this and other ways Amicus was treated more kindly than William.

514. Grant without warranty by Abbot William (de Waterville, 1155-75) and the convent to William Guito of the church of Paston with its appurtenances, apart from two sheaves of the whole parish which they have assigned to the almonry, and two sheaves of four knights (as in no. 513), and two sheaves of the assarts of Cathwaite (in Paston)<sup>1</sup> which have been confirmed to the sacristy, and two-thirds of the third sheaf of the knights' tithes which they have likewise assigned to the almonry; so that only one-third of the sheaves of the parish and one-third of the third sheaf of the knights and the whole third from the assarts of Cathwaite with the church's other appurtenances will remain to William; and he shall serve the church with due dignity, and pay the sacrist an annual pension of 10s. They will that this arrangement (*statutum*) on the tithes between the sacrist, the almoner, and the parson of the church remain inviolate. 1155-75, probably late

Notum sit omnibus presentibus et futuris quod Willelmus abbas de Burgo totusque conuentus donauimus et per presenciam confirmauimus Willelmo Guitoni ecclesiam de Paston cum omnibus beneficiis eidem ecclesie pertinentibus, preter duas garbas tocius parochie quas elemosinarie Burgi assignauimus, preter duas garbas quatuor militum, Yuonis scilicet de Gunthorp, Asceleni de Paston, Roberti Peuerel et Roberti Gryp, et preter duas garbas sartorum de Catheweyt que sacristie Burgi confirmate sunt, et preter duas partes tercię garbe decimarum militum quas similiter elemosinarie Burgi consignauimus; ita quod sola terciā pars garbarum parochie et terciā pars tercię garbe decimarum militum et [*f. 105*] tota terciā pars sartorum de Catheweyt cum omnibus aliis beneficiis eidem ecclesie libere et quiete Willelmo remanebunt, unde ipse cum debito honore eidem ecclesie debet ministrare, et decem solidos sacriste ecclesie Burgi annua pensione reddere ad terminos statutos. Statutum autem istud decimarum inter sacristiam et elemosinariam et personam ecclesie sic illibatum et stabile uolumus de cetero permanere ut quisque porcione sua sit (contentus).<sup>a</sup>

*Date.* The abbot is certainly William de Waterville: cf. no. 513. Since tithes in Paston were first assigned to the almoner by William de Waterville (cf. Morton, pp. xx and n., xxxiii n.), the charter presumably belongs to his later years. It is interesting that the church is described as a chapel (yet with a parish) in no. 513.

515. Quit-claim by Abbot Benedict (1177-93) and the convent to Roger of Torpel and his heirs of the rights they claimed in the church of Ufford with all their appurtenances, and their rights in Cotterstock and Glapthorn<sup>2</sup> with all their appurtenances, and all the disputes between them down to the day when they made an agreement by chirograph<sup>3</sup> in the court of King Richard at Northampton in the second year of his reign. Roger of Torpel quit-claimed to them, for himself and his heirs, the rights he claimed in the church of Maxey with all their appurtenances, and all the disputes between them down to the same day. Roger assigned them in free alms 10 solidates of rent,<sup>4</sup> i.e. William Kok (? Cook) with all his land in Bainton, Hugh son of Martin with all his land in *Le Holm*, and a house in Peterborough for which Ralph Boroarch paid 12d. per annum to Roger. 1190-3 (c. 1190-1)

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit Benedictus Dei gratia abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus salutem in Domino.

<sup>a</sup> This or a similar word is needed to complete the sentence. How much more is missing is uncertain.

<sup>1</sup> Doubtless equivalent to the sheaves of the franklins named in no. 513.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. P. pp. 28 ff., *Cal. Charter Rolls*, iv. 276; in the *Place-Names of Northants.*, p. 203, another case of 'Glapthorp' for 'Glapthorn' is noted.

<sup>3</sup> Literally, any document drawn up in duplicate on a single piece of vellum, which was subsequently divided so that both parties retained identical copies. In this case doubtless the chirograph was a final concord or fine, drawn up in triplicate, with one copy each for the parties, and the third—the foot—preserved in the records of the king's court. The fine, genuine or fictitious, was from the late twelfth to the early nineteenth century one of the commonest ways of completing a land transaction. The fine itself was often in early days, as here, accompanied by other documents.

<sup>4</sup> Rents worth 10s. per annum.

Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos de communi consilio fratrum<sup>a</sup> relaxasse et quietum clamasse de nobis et abbacia nostra inperpetuum Rogero de Thorpel<sup>b</sup> et heredibus suis totum ius et clamium quod dicebamus nos habere in ecclesia de Ufford cum omnibus pertinenciis suis, et totum ius et clamium quod habuimus in Cotherstoke<sup>c</sup> et in Glapthorp cum omnibus pertinenciis suis, et omnes querelas que mote fuerunt inter nos et ipsum Rogerum usque ad diem quo concordati<sup>d</sup> fuimus per cirographum in curia<sup>e</sup> domini regis Ricardi apud Northampton<sup>f</sup> anno regni eiusdem secundo. Iamdictus autem Rogerus de Thorpel<sup>b</sup> relaxavit et quietum clamavit nobis et abbacie nostre inperpetuum de se et de<sup>g</sup> heredibus suis totum ius et clamium quod ipse dicebat se habere in ecclesia de Makeseye cum omnibus pertinenciis suis, et omnes querelas et omnia placita que mota fuerunt inter nos et ipsum Rogerum usque ad predictum diem concordie inter nos facte per cirographum in curia prenominati regis Ricardi. Assignauit etiam prefatus Rogerus nobis et abbacie nostre in liberam,<sup>h</sup> puram et perpetuam elemosinam decem solidatas redditus, scilicet Willelmum Kok cum tota terra in Badyngton,<sup>i</sup> et Hugonem filium Martini cum tota terra sua in Le Holm, et domum quandam<sup>j</sup> in uilla Burgi [f. 105<sup>v</sup>] unde Radulphus Boroarch<sup>k</sup> reddidit duodecim denarios per annum sepedicto Rogero de Thorpel.<sup>b</sup> Quod ut ratum et inconcussum permaneat<sup>l</sup> presenti scripto et sigillorum nostrorum testimonio confirmauimus. Testibus: Stephano de Marham.<sup>m</sup>

*Text.* Also in A, f. 44<sup>r-v</sup> (and C2, f. 76<sup>r-v</sup>).

*Date.* The fine was made in 2 Richard I, i.e. 1190-1; Abbot Benedict died in 1193. Presumably the quit-claim was drawn up at about the same time as the fine, as a part of the same transaction.

516. Grant without warranty by Abbot Andrew (1194-9) and the convent to William son of Ralph of Thorpe (cf. no. 530) and his heirs for their homage and service of 15 acres in Thorpe, and 2 acres of meadow and the house in which he lives, to be held of them, quit of villein services, for an annual rent of 6s. William is released from all his customary services—merchet, fine for selling a horse, dues paid for pannage (pasture) for his pigs, services of ploughing, harrowing, reaping, and mowing and all other lay services—save a moderate aid at Michaelmas, not to be taken in common with the villeins. 1194-9

Uniuersis Christi fidelibus ad quorum audienciam presens carta peruenerit Andreas Dei gratia abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci<sup>a</sup> deuotus in Christo conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos unanimi assensu omnium fratrum nostrorum concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Willelmo filio Radulphi de Thorp et heredibus suis pro homagio et seruicio suo xv acras terre in campis de Thorp et ij acras prati et domum suam in qua habitat; tenendas de nobis libere et quiete sine omni seculari exactione que ad rusticos eiusdem uille pertinere dinoscitur, reddendo nobis singulis annis sex

<sup>a</sup> consilio fratrum A; assensu fratrum consilio MS. MS. (by attraction to Glapthorp, for which see p. 181 n.).

<sup>f</sup> Northampton . . . Badington A. <sup>g</sup> om. A.

domum A. <sup>k</sup> Borearch A. <sup>l</sup> om. MS.

<sup>m</sup> MS. adds conuentus (not cancelled).

<sup>b</sup> Torpel A. <sup>c</sup> Codesthorp

<sup>d</sup> condarti MS.

<sup>e</sup> carta MS. A.

<sup>h</sup> MS. adds et.

<sup>i</sup> quadam (sic)

<sup>n</sup> Stephano de Marham MS. etc. A.

<sup>1</sup> No. 530 confirms the manumission, i.e. release from serfdom or villeinage, of William son of Ralph by Abbot Andrew. In no. 516, in consequence, he is released from villein services, of which this list is a characteristic sample (cf. Pollock and Maitland, i. 365 ff.; P. Vinogradoff, *Villainage in England* (Oxford, 1892), pp. 81 ff.; and for the Peterborough Estates, the details in the Surveys). The main villein services were labour services on the lord's demesne. But it was always difficult to state precisely what constituted a service characteristic of villein tenure; and for this merchet (a fine to be paid on a daughter's marriage) and a fine when he wishes to sell his beasts (in this case his stallions) were felt to be especially significant—the first (whatever its origin) because it symbolized that he was not entirely free even in domestic affairs (but cf. Pollock and Maitland, i. 373 and n.); the second was a reminder that the villein's chattels were the property of his lord. The first phrase literally means 'the ransoming of his own blood, to wit his daughter'; cf. Maitland's words (*loc. cit.*), 'sometimes it is described in vigorous words which express a free man's loathing for servility: "he must buy, he must make ransom for, his flesh and blood".'

solidos pro omni seruicio, scilicet ad Natale Domini xviiij<sup>d.</sup>, ad Pascha xviiij<sup>d.</sup>, ad festum Sancti Johannis xviiij<sup>d.</sup>, ad festum Michaelis xviiij<sup>d.</sup> Relaxamus autem eidem Willelmo omnes consuetudines quas facere solebat, scilicet redempcionem proprii sanguinis scilicet filie sue, consuetudines de equo suo masculo, pannagium de porcis suis, arruram et harzuram, messionem et falcacionem, et omnes alias seculares consuetudines; hoc nobis retento quod in festo Sancti Michaelis auxilium nostrum moderate ab eo—non in comuni cum rusticis—capiemus. Quod ut ratum habeatur et firmum, presenti carta nostra et sigilli nostri patrocinio et testium suppositione duximus confirmandum. Testibus hiis: . . .

517. Grant without warranty by Abbot R(ober) of Lindsey (1214-22) and the convent to Robert le Sermonour for his homage and service of 5 acres in Fiskerton (Lincs.), i.e. 1 acre which Richard son of Hugh held and 4 acres lying near it to the east, for an annual rent of 5s. 1214-22

Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego R. Dei gratia abbas Burgi<sup>a</sup> et eiusdem loci conuentus dedimus,<sup>b</sup> concessimus et<sup>c</sup> presenti carta confirmauimus Roberto<sup>d</sup> le Sermonour pro homagio et seruicio suo quinque acras terre in Fyskerton,<sup>d</sup> scilicet unam acram quam Ricardus filius Hugonis aliquando tenuit, et quatuor acras eidem [*f.* 106] acre proximiores uersus orientem; habendas et tenendas libere et quiete et hereditarie, reddendo inde annuatim abbacie Burgi quinque solidos sterlingorum pro omni seruicio et exaccione ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad Natale Domini quindecim denarios, ad Pascha xv denarios, ad festum Sancti Botulphi xv denarios et ad festum Sancti Michaelis xv denarios. Et ut hec nostra confirmacio rata maneat et inconcussa presentem cartam sigillis nostris munitam in futurorum memoriam dedimus, et testibus hiis communiuimus:<sup>e</sup> Roberto de Manneby, Waltero de Aniby, magistro Willelmo de Scotere, et multis aliis.

*Text.* Also in A, f. 44<sup>v</sup> (and C2, f. 76<sup>v</sup>).

*Date.* Since Robert le Sermonour occurs also in 1222-6 (no. 534) and Master William of Scotter in 1216 and 1212-28 (Pc, f. 175<sup>v</sup>, V2, f. 41<sup>v</sup>), Abbot R. is almost certainly Robert of Lindsey.

518. Confirmation without warranty by Abbot Robert (of Lindsey) and the convent to the prior and convent of Newstead on Ancholme (Lincs., Gilbertine) of the advowson of a quarter of the church of Hibaldstow (Lincs.) and the mill and all the holdings with appurtenances there granted them by Robert Fauvel, for an annual rent of 8s.;<sup>1</sup> if it is unpaid, they may distrain on the priory's cattle and movables on their land. The prior and convent of Newstead may not buy or receive any land or rent on the abbey fee without permission. 1215

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens<sup>f</sup> carta peruenerit Robertus Dei gratia abbas ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo et eiusdem loci<sup>f</sup> deuotus in Christo<sup>g</sup> conuentus, salutem in Domino eternam. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse priori et conuentui Noui Loci super Ancholme aduocacionem quarte partis ecclesie de Hibaldestowe<sup>h</sup> et molen-dinum eiusdem uille et omnia tenementa cum pertinenciis in eadem uilla que habent de dono Roberti Fauuel per cartas ipsius Roberti; habenda et pacifice

<sup>a</sup> de Burgo A. <sup>b</sup> MS. adds et. <sup>c</sup> om. MS. <sup>d</sup> Roberti (sic) . . . Fiskerton A. <sup>e</sup> communiuimus] diminuius MS.: A omits and ends here with etc. <sup>f</sup> om. A. <sup>g</sup> om. MS. <sup>h</sup> Hibaldestowe A; Hybaldestowe V2.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. P, p. 87: 'Tenementa aliqua in Hibaldestowe tenet prior et conuentus de Nouo Loco super Ancholme de dono Roberti Fauuel et aduocacionem quarte partis ecclesie et reddunt per annum nobis viiis. ut in antiquis registris precentorum plenius continetur . . .' This is either derived from the present MS., or from the original register(s) from which these charters were copied.

tenenda<sup>a</sup> sicut ea rationabiliter sunt consecuti, <sup>b</sup>ita quidem quod non liceat predictis priori et conuentui Noui Loci de cetero absque assensu et uoluntate nostra<sup>c</sup> terram aliquam siue redditum in feodo nostro emere uel recipere.<sup>b</sup> Pro hac autem nostra confirmacione optinenda prefati prior et conuentus Noui Loci<sup>d</sup> soluunt nobis singulis annis viij solidos sterlingorum duobus terminis anni, scilicet ad Pentecosten iiij s. et in festo Sancti Martini iiij s. Et si forte prefati prior et conuentus Noui Loci super Ancolme<sup>e</sup> a solucione<sup>f</sup> octo solidorum prefatorum terminis pretaxatis cessauerint, licebit nobis<sup>g</sup> ipsos distringere per aueria<sup>h</sup> et catalla que in terris de feodo nostro predicto inuenta fuerint donec prefatos viij s. [*f. 106<sup>v</sup>*] annos<sup>i</sup> plene persoluerint. Et ut hoc ratum maneat<sup>k</sup> in perpetuum, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione munitam eis in futurorum memoriam dedimus, anno ab incarnatione Domini millesimo ducentesimo quintodecimo. <sup>l</sup>Testibus hiis: magistro Galfrido Gibbewyn et aliis.<sup>l</sup>

*Text.* Also in A, f. 126; V2, f. 30 (and C2, f. 20<sup>r-v</sup>).

519. Grant without warranty by Abbot Robert (of Lindsey, 1214-22) and the convent to Aymery son of Aymery de Nuuers<sup>1</sup> of the wardship of the land and heirs of Richard son of Stephen of Irthlingborough and the marriage of the heirs, without disparagement<sup>2</sup> until the heirs are of age according to the law of England;<sup>3</sup> to be held by himself or an assign made with their consent, for the service due. For this Aymery paid 5 marks and swore to obey the terms of the grant. 1214-22

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, Robertus permissione diuina abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus salutem. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Almarico filio Almarici de Nuuers custodiam terre et heredum Ricardi filii Stephani de Irthelyngburgh et maritagium eorum heredum absque disparagiacione;<sup>m</sup> habenda et tenenda predicto Almarico uel cui assignare uoluerit per assensum nostrum quousque heredes talis fuerint etatis quod secundum legem Anglie possint et debeant tenere, faciendo inde recta et debita seruicia. Pro hac autem custodia habenda cum maritagio eorundem heredum sicut predictum est, dedit nobis predictus Almaricus xv marcas argenti et preterea iurauit quod<sup>n</sup> consuetudines et seruicia ad predictam terram pertinentia nobis, dum custodiam habuerit, plene fient et quod heredes dicti Ricardi nisi competenter et (sine) disparagiacione non maritabuntur. Hiis testibus: Rogero Torpel, Waltero de Preston, Henrico de Diuo, Radulpho filio Reginaldi, Ricardo de Dodyngton, Willelmo de Bello, Gaufrido de Le Alme, et aliis.

*Date.* Walter of Preston died in 1230 (above, p. lxi); the last Roger of Torpel died in 1254 (P, p. 34 n.). The abbot must therefore be Robert of Lindsey (cf. P, p. 150 n.).

520. Grant without warranty by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent to William son of the dyer of Irthlingborough of a messuage with toft and croft by the cemetery of All Saints in Irthlingborough which was once Hugh Bars's, and all the land with appurtenances which Hugh and Astillus his son sold to them, consisting of the following: 3½ roods at

<sup>a</sup> habenda et pacifice tenenda MS. V2; tenenda et habenda pacifice A. <sup>b</sup> secuti V2; ita quidem—recipere om. A. <sup>c</sup> nostrum MS. <sup>d</sup> MS. adds super Ancolme. <sup>e</sup> super Ancolme MS. V2; om. A. <sup>f</sup> a solucione V2 A; solucionem MS. <sup>g</sup> nos MS. <sup>h</sup> A adds sua. <sup>i</sup> om. A. <sup>k</sup> permaneat A. <sup>l-1</sup> Testibus—aliis V2 (om. hiis); Testibus hiis: G. Gibun MS. etc. A. <sup>m</sup> designacione corrected MS. <sup>n</sup> per MS. (p for q).

<sup>1</sup> Or Nuuers (cf. P, p. 150 n.). But an Aymery de Noers or Nowers (? Nevers) occurs in 1225 and 1242-3 (W. Farrer, *Honors and Knights' Fees*, ii, London, 1924, pp. 387, 416).

<sup>2</sup> i.e. he guaranteed not to arrange a marriage between one of the heirs and his or her social inferior.

<sup>3</sup> At twenty-one, if the tenure was (as one presumes) by knight-service (cf. Pollock and Maitland, ii. 438-9).

*Bradrisse*, 1 rood at *Burslade*, 3½ roods at *Langnelade*,<sup>1</sup> 1½ roods at *Bradbusk*, 1½ roods at *Batayle standolf*, 3 roods at *Fulebech*, 1 rood at *Ludwell*, 1 rood at *Abbot's standolf*, 1 rood by the road from *Finedon*, &c.; to be held of themselves for an annual rent of 3s. and forinsec service. 1222-6

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit Alexander diuina permissione abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos dedisse, concessisse et hac presenti carta confirmasse Willelmo filio tinctoris de Irthelynburgh<sup>a</sup> mesuagium cum tofto et crofto iuxta cimiterium Omnium Sanctorum in<sup>b</sup> Irthelyngburgh<sup>a</sup> que fuit condam Hugonis Bars, et totam terram cum pertinenciis quam idem Hugo et Astillus (*sic*) filius eius nobis uendiderunt, cuius hee sunt [*f. 107*] particule: tres rode et dimidia apud Bradrisse, una roda apud Burslade, tres rode et dimidia apud Langnelade,<sup>a</sup> una roda et dimidia apud Bradbusk, una roda et dimidia apud Batayle<sup>a</sup> standolf, tres rode apud Fulebech,<sup>a</sup> una roda apud Ludwell, una roda apud Abbot's standolf, una roda iuxta uiam de Tyndene, etc. Concessimus etiam autem hec omnia prenomina predicto W(illelmo), tenenda et habenda de nobis libere, quiete et hereditarie, pro omni seruicio reddendo inde nobis annuatim iij solidos ad quatuor anni terminos, scilicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis ix denarios, ad Natale Domini ix*d.*, ad Pascha ix*d.*, et ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste ix*d.*, saluo forinseco seruicio. Et in huius rei testimonium sigilla nostra apposimus.<sup>c</sup>

*Text.* Also in A, ff. 44<sup>v</sup>-45 (and C2, ff. 76<sup>v</sup>-77).

521. Grant without warranty by Abbot Robert (of Lindsey) (1214-22) and the convent to Roger of Torpel IV and his heirs that he and the men of his fee beyond *Myckeldyk*<sup>2</sup> towards Barnack in the hundred of Nassaburgh be quit of payment for pasture in our marsh in Peakirk, which was demanded of them. Roger's name and those of his late wife Mary, of his father and mother, predecessors, children, and heirs are to be inserted in the abbey martyrology, so as to have special participation in the offering of masses and prayers and other benefits of the monastery. 1214-22

Uniuersis ad quorum audienciam presens scriptum peruenerit, Robertus abbas Burgi<sup>d</sup> et eiusdem loci conuentus salutem. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse Rogero de Torpel quarto et heredibus suis quod ipse et homines<sup>e</sup> de feodo suo ultra *Myckeldyk*<sup>f</sup> uersus Bernak<sup>f</sup> infra Nassum Burgi,<sup>f</sup> sint quieti inperpetuum de herbagio in marisco nostro de *Psychirche*<sup>f</sup> quod ab ipsis exigebatur. Preterea concessimus eidem Rogero quod nomen suum et nomen Marie quondam uxoris sue et nomina patris et matris sue et antecessorum suorum<sup>g</sup> et nomina infantum et heredum suorum scribantur in martilogio<sup>h</sup> nostro, ut specialem tam missarum et orationum quam aliorum beneficiorum in nostro monasterio factorum habeant participacionem. Et ne hoc factum nostrum a memoria<sup>i</sup> exstancium siue futurorum decidere<sup>k</sup> possit, presens scriptum sigillis nostris roboratum predicto Rogero in futurorum memoriam dedimus. Hiis testibus: . . .<sup>1</sup>

*Text.* Also in N, f. 73, Pc, f. 182<sup>v</sup>, Swa, f. cciv.

*Date.* The last Roger of Torpel was dead by 1254 (P, p. 34 n.), so that the abbot must be Robert of Lindsey.

<sup>a</sup> Irthingburgh (*bis*) . . . Langnelade . . . Bataile . . . Fulbech . . . Abbot's . . . <sup>b</sup> de A. <sup>c</sup> A adds etc. <sup>d</sup> de Burgo PcSwa. <sup>e</sup> PcSwa add sui. <sup>f</sup> Micheldik . . . Bernak . . . Nassum Burgi (MS. *om.* Burgi) . . . Peichirch<sup>1</sup> N; Mikeldic . . . [*as text*] . . . Peykirke PcSwa. <sup>g</sup> suo Pc. <sup>h</sup> martiologio Pc. <sup>i</sup> nostrum a memoria] so NPcSwa; a memoria nostra MS. <sup>j</sup> decidere NPcSwa; excidere MS. <sup>1</sup> Hiis testibus NPcSwa; *om.* MS.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. *Langnemed* in no. 530.

<sup>2</sup> Probably *micel* (great) dyke; but cf. the field name in Peterborough, Common Muckhill (*P.N. Northants.*, p. 289), and Muckehil gap (Morton, index, s.v. Muchyl).

522. Confirmation without warranty by Abbot Robert (of Lindsey) and the convent to Prior Andrew and the convent of Thornholme (Lincs., Augustinian) of all their lands, rents, and holdings, with their appurtenances, of the fee of Peterborough abbey in *Lyngd'* (? for Lindsey, Lincolnshire),<sup>1</sup> on condition that they do not accept or buy any church or rent on the fee without permission. For this the prior and convent of Thornholme are to pay an annual rent of 2 marks; if it is unpaid the grantors may distrain on the priory's cattle and movables on their land. 1218

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quorum audienciam presens carta peruenerit, Robertus Dei gratia abbas ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse Andree priori de [f. 107<sup>v</sup>] Thorneholm et eiusdem loci conventui<sup>a</sup> ecclesias, redditus et tenementa cum pertinenciis suis que habent de feodo nostro in *Lyngd'* (?), habenda et pacifice tenenda sicut ea per cartas donatorum rationabiliter sunt consecuti; ita quidem quod non liceat predicto priori et conuentui de Thorneholm de cetero absque assensu et uoluntate nostra aliquam ecclesiam siue redditum in feodo nostro recipere uel emere. Pro autem hac nostra confirmacione optinenda prefati prior et conuentus de Thorneholm soluent nobis singulis annis infra quindenam Pentecostes unam marcā argenti et unam marcā ad festum Sancti Martini. Et si forte pre-nominati prior et conuentus de Thorneholm a solucone duarum marcarum prefatarum termino pretaxato cessauerint, licebit nobis ipsos distringere per aueria et catalla que in terris suis de feodo nostro inuenta fuerint, donec prefatas duas marcas annuas plene persoluerint. Et ut hec rata manea(n)t in perpetuum, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione munitam eis in futurorum memoriam dedimus, anno ab incarnatione Domini millesimo ducentesimo xviij. Hiis testibus.

523. Lease for life by Abbot J(ohn) de Caux (1250-63) and the convent to Alice of Scotter widow of Thomas of Ufford, for her service, of 9½ acres in one furlong belonging to the sacrist, lying in the furlong called *Rumpele* in Peterborough by the sacrist's land on the south, abutting on the road from Peterborough to Stamford (Lincs.) to the east; to be held of themselves and their successors for an annual rent of 1 lb. of cumin. The 9½ acres shall return to the abbey after her death, save that she may assign where she will for her soul's health the harvest from them if they have been sown at her expense in the year of her death (cf. no. 524). 1250-63 (cf. no. 529)

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quorum audienciam presens scriptum peruenerit, J(ohannes) de Kal(eto) Dei gratia abbas Burgi totusque eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Alicie de Scotere quondam uxori Thome de Ufford, ex gratia nostra pro seruicio suo, ix acras et dimidiam terre arabilis de una cultura sacriste nostre iacentes in campo de Burgo super culturam que uocatur *Rumpele* iuxta terram sacriste nostre ex parte australi, et abuttant uersus orientem super uiam que ducit de Burgo uersus Staunford; tenendas et habendas de nobis et successoribus nostris dicte Alicie tota uita sua libere, quiete et integre, reddendo inde annuatim sacriste ecclesie nostre j libram cumini ad festum Sancti Michaelis pro omnibus seruiciis, sectis et secularibus demandis; ita scilicet quod post obitum dicte A(licie), predicte ix acre et dimidia in manus nostras solute absque alicuius contradiccionē redibunt, saluo tamen [f. 108] hoc solum dicte A(licie), quod si predicte ix acre et dimidia<sup>b</sup> seminate fuerint anno obitus sui sumptibus suis propriis ante tempus obitus sui, licebit eidem Alicie fructum illarum ix acrarum et dimidie pro salute

<sup>a</sup> conuentus MS.

<sup>b</sup> dimidie MS.

<sup>1</sup> For the holding of the prior of Thornholme of the Neville of Scotton fee in Raventhorpe (Lincs.), see P, p. 105. In exchange for this confirmation Thornholm priory made a grant of 2 marks per annum (Pc, f. 71<sup>v</sup>). Prior Andrew occurs in the period c. 1205-23 (*Early Yorks. Charters*, vi, ed. C. T. Clay, no. 107).

anime<sup>a</sup> sue ubicumque uoluerit assignare. Et ut hec nostra concessio et carte nostre confirmacio rata et stabilis habeatur, hanc cartam sigillorum nostrorum inpressione roborauimus. Hiis testibus: G(alfrido) Russel tunc senescallo, domino Thoma de Sculthorp<sup>b</sup> milite, Roberto Peuerel, R(oberto) Puttok, W(illelmo) Saleman, W(illelmo) Blakeman, W(illelmo) sub Bosco, et multis aliis.

524. Grant by Alice of Scotter widow of Thomas of Ufford to the abbey, for its sacristy, of 9½ acres in the fields of Paston between Dogsthorpe and Paston in a furlong called *Nab* between the land of the almoner and the land of the vicar of the chapel of St. John (the Baptist)<sup>1</sup> in Peterborough, abutting the land of Robert Doly at one end; to be held in free alms, saving a rent of 1s. and 1 lb. of cumin due to the infirmary, which the sacrist will pay to the infirmarer. 1250-63

Notum sit omnibus hominibus hoc scriptum uisuris uel<sup>c</sup> auditoris quod ego Alicia de<sup>d</sup> Scotere quondam uxor Thome de Ufford in libera uiduitate mea dedi, concessi et hac presenti carta mea confirmaui Deo et ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo et abbati et monachis ibidem Deo seruientibus, ad sacristiam eiusdem loci pro salute anime mee et antecessorum meorum, ix acras et dimidiam terre arabilis iacentes in campis de Paston<sup>e</sup> inter Dodesthorpe<sup>e</sup> et Pastonam<sup>e</sup> super unam culturam que uocatur Nab inter terram elemosinarii de Burgo<sup>f</sup> et terram uicarii capelle<sup>g</sup> Sancti Johannis de Burgo, et abutant un capite<sup>h</sup> super terram Roberti Doly;<sup>i</sup> tenendas et habendas dictis abbati<sup>k</sup> et monachis<sup>l</sup> de Burgo et eorum successoribus<sup>m</sup> libere, quiete, integre et pacifice, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, saluo redditu duodecim denariorum et unius libre cummini<sup>n</sup> pertinente ad infirmariam predictorum abbatis et conuentus, quem sacrista Burgi<sup>o</sup> qui pro tempore<sup>p</sup> terram predictam tenuerit infirmario predictae infirmarie annuatim ad terminos soluet consuetos. Ego autem Alicia de Scotere et heredes mei warantizabimus<sup>q</sup> et defendemus predictas ix acras et dimidiam predictis abbati et monachis<sup>l</sup> de Burgo ad sacristiam eiusdem loci contra omnes gentes<sup>r</sup> inperpetuum. Et ut hec mea donacio, concessio et carte mee confirmacio perpetuum robor optineat, presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui. Hiis testibus:<sup>a</sup> Galfrido Russell<sup>t</sup> tunc senescallo [*f. 108<sup>v</sup>*] Burgi, domino<sup>u</sup> Thoma de Suthorp<sup>w</sup> milite, Roberto Peuerel de Paston, Roberto Puttok, Willelmo Saleman, Willelmo Blakeman, Willelmo sub Bosco et multis aliis.

*Text.* Also in Swa, ff. clxvij (S1) and cclxij<sup>v</sup> (S2), F, pp. 93-94.

*Date.* It is evident both from the nature of the transactions and from their identical witness lists that nos. 523-4 represent an exchange, and that both documents were issued at the same time. These documents illustrate the complexity (anyway on paper) of monastic finance: e.g. the pound of cumin (the rent in no. 523) is now paid by Alice to the sacrist, who passes it on to the infirmarer, whereas formerly she had paid it direct, no doubt, to the infirmarer.

525. Grant by Abbot J(ohn de Caux) (1250-63) and the convent to Richard Plume son of Bernard of Winchester for his service of one toft with appurtenances in Priestgate, Peterborough, which Walter late abbot (1233-45) bought from Christiana daughter of Simon Smith, and which was once held by master Simon Cook; to be held by Richard, his heirs

<sup>a</sup> MS. *adds mee, cancelled.* <sup>b</sup> sic: cf. no. 524 and n.t. <sup>c</sup> et S1F. <sup>d</sup> om. S1.  
<sup>e</sup> Pastone S1 . . . Doddestorp S1 Doddestorp S2 . . . Paston<sup>e</sup> S2F Pastone S1 [*otherwise as text*].  
<sup>f</sup> MS. *adds Sancti Petri.* <sup>g</sup> ecclesie S2. <sup>h</sup> om. MS. <sup>i</sup> Daly MS.; Doli S2; Doly S1F (om. Roberti S1). <sup>k</sup> abbati abbati MS. <sup>l</sup> conuentui S2. <sup>m</sup> S2 om. et eorum successoribus. <sup>n</sup> cymini S1S2 cimini F. <sup>o</sup> de Burgo F. <sup>p</sup> pro tempore S1F; tempore MS.; om. S2. <sup>q</sup> S2 *adds* acquietabimus. <sup>r</sup> S2 *adds* per predictum seruicium. S1S2 *end here.* <sup>t</sup> Russel F. <sup>u</sup> om. F. <sup>w</sup> Sculthorp MS.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 544.



and assigns, of themselves and their successors, for an annual rent of 2s. Richard and his heirs shall not gage (or lease)<sup>1</sup> nor sell nor alienate the holding save to themselves and their successors, if they wish to have it.

1250-63

Omnibus Christi fidelibus presens scriptum uisuris uel audituris, J(ohannes) Dei gratia abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos unanimi assensu dedisse, concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Ricardo Plume filio Bernardi de Wyntonia pro seruicio suo unum toftum cum pertinenciis suis in uilla Burgi scilicet in Prestegate, quod Walterus pie memorie quondam abbas Burgi emit de Christiana filia Symonis fabri, quod quidem toftum magister Symon cocus aliquando tenuit; habendum et tenendum dicto Ricardo et heredibus suis uel suis assignatis de nobis et successoribus nostris libere, quiete, hereditarie imperpetuum, reddendo inde nobis et successoribus nostris singulis annis duos solidos argenti ad quatuor anni terminos aliis burgensibus Burgi statutos pro omnibus seruiciis secularibus, exaccionibus et demandis. Nos uero et successores nostri warantizabimus et defendemus predictum tenementum cum suis pertinenciis predicto R(icardo) et heredibus suis uel suis assignatis contra omnes gentes inperpetuum per predictum seruicium. Et sciendum quod predictus R(icardus) et heredes sui uel assignati dictum tenementum cum pertinenciis suis nulli inuadiabunt nec uendent nec alienabunt nisi nobis et successoribus nostris, si tamen dictum tenementum habere uoluerimus. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum et sigillum capituli nostri presenti scripto duximus apponere.

526. Grant in fee-farm by Abbot J(ohn de Caux) (1250-63) and the convent to John of Barnack their mason and his heirs of 1 messuage in Peterborough with the houses built on it and the courtyard and meadow attached—the same which master Robert the physician<sup>a</sup> gave to the altar of St. Mary in the abbey in free alms, and which is situated between William Pykeler's holding and the holding which Pain Baker has from his wife's dowry; to be held by himself, his heirs and assigns, from themselves and their successors, for an annual rent of 10s. to be paid to the sacrist, and 2 lb. of wax to the altar of St. Mary to increase the light for the feast of her Nativity. John and his heirs and assigns are not to demise the holding with its appurtenances to any other religious save to the grantors, nor sell, gage (see no. 525), alienate to anyone, nor do anything else to it or its buildings, by which the grantors should suffer loss of rent.

1250-63

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit J(ohannes) Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos unanimi assensu dimisisse, concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Johanni de Bernak cementario nostro et heredibus suis ad feodi firmam unum mesuagium in Burgo cum domibus superedificatis et curtilagio et prato adiacente, illud scilicet quod magister Robertus Fiscus dedit altari beate Marie in ecclesia nostra in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, et situm est illud mesuagium inter tenementum Willelmi Pykeler' ex una parte et tenementum Pagani pistoris quod tenet de dote sue uxoris ex altera; habendum et tenendum de nobis et successoribus nostris dicto Johanni et heredibus suis uel suis assignatis, libere et quiete et integre, bene et in pace, reddendo inde annuatim sacriste operis ecclesie nostre qui pro tempore fuerit x solidos argenti ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad Natale Domini xxxd., ad Pascha xxxd., ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste xxxd. et ad festum Sancti Michaelis xxxd., et duas libras cere altari Beate Marie ad incrementum luminis ad Natiuitatem eiusdem Uirginis, pro omnibus seruiciis et secularibus demandis; ita quod dictus J(ohannes) nec heredes sui nec assignati sui dictum tenementum cum pertinenciis uiris religiosis aliis a nobis possint dimittere, nec alicui uendere,

<sup>1</sup> See above, p. Iviij.

<sup>a</sup> Cf. P, p. 118.

inuadiare, alienare nec de eo uel de domibus superedificatis aliquid aliud facere, per quod nos et successores nostri predictum redditum minus percipere ualeamus. Et nos et successores nostri warantizabimus, acquietabimus et defendemus dictum tenementum cum pertinenciis dicto Johanni et heredibus suis uel suis assignatis, ut predictum est, contra omnes homines in perpetuum. In cuius rei testimonium presenti scripto sigilla nostra duximus apponenda. Hiis testibus: Gaufrido Russel tunc senescalco Burgi, Thoma de Aula, Roberto Spechel, Willelmo de Undele, Roberto Osgot, Johanne<sup>a</sup> [f. 109<sup>v</sup>] Durant, Simone pincerna, Johanne elemosinario, Simone Marioth, Willelmo le Prechour, Willelmo Benekoc, Pagano pistore, W. Cokay et aliis.

527. Grant by Abbot J(ohn) de Caux (1250-63) and the convent to Roger of the infirmary and Isabel his wife of a messuage in Cowgate, Peterborough, between the holding of Adam le Pykeler<sup>c</sup> and Priestgate, abutting the royal road at one end and the holding once William of Eye's (at the other), to be held by Roger and Isabel, their heirs and assigns, of themselves and their successors. The holding may not be assigned to other religious nor to anyone by whom the abbey would suffer loss. The grantees are to pay an annual rent of 4s. to the senior sacrist,<sup>1</sup> and also suit of court to the sacristy and relief according to the custom of the vill. If Roger has children by Isabel and she survives him, the messuage shall pass to Isabel and her heirs, on the same terms. 1257

Uniuersis Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, J(ohannes) de Caleto diuina permissione abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos dedisse, concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Rogero de (in-)firmaria<sup>b</sup> et Isabelle uxori sue quoddam mesuagium cum pertinenciis suis in Burgo, scilicet in Cougate, quod iacet inter tenementum Ade le Pykeler<sup>c</sup> ex una parte et Prestgate ex altera, unde unum capud abuttat super uiam regiam et (alterum) super tenementum quondam Willelmi de Eya; tenendum et habendum dictum mesuagium cum pertinenciis de nobis et de successoribus nostris sibi et heredibus eorum uel eorum assignatis—preter quam uiris religiosis aliis a nobis et omnibus aliis per quos redditus subscriptus uel aliquid aliud ad nos pertinens possit minui, uel libertas nostra in aliquo impediri; reddendo inde annuatim superiori sacriste nostre (*sic*) quatuor solidos ad quatuor anni terminos, scilicet ad Natale Domini xijd., ad Pascha xijd., ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste xij denarios, et ad festum Sancti Michaelis xij denarios pro omnibus consuetudinibus, seruiciis et secularibus demandis, preter quam sectam curie ad sacristiam nostram spectantem et releuium secundum consuetudinem uille ut euenerit. Nos uero et successores nostri warantizabimus dictum mesuagium cum pertinenciis dictis Rogero et Isabelle uxori sue et heredibus eorum uel assignatis quomodo predictum est contra omnes gentes inperpetuum; ita tamen quod si predicta Isabella predictum R(ogerum) uirum suum superuixerit absque hoc quod predictus Rogerus prolem ex ea non procreauit, predictum mesuagium cum pertinenciis integre remanebit eidem Isabelle et heredibus uel assignatis suis, quiete de heredibus ipsius Rogeri; tenendum de nobis et successoribus [f. 110] nostris per predictum seruicium inperpetuum. In cuius rei testimonium presenti scripto sigilla nostra apponi fecimus, dat' puplice in capitulo nostro anno Domini millesimo cclvij.

528. Grant by Abbot J(ohn) de Caux (1250-63) and the convent to Adam Cook of Walcot for his homage and service of 1 messuage with appurtenances in Peterborough, lying towards Martin's bridge by the house of Adam Fuhelay, and 1 acre of land lying on *Stribbyng* in the fields of Peterborough and Garton, by the land once held by Henry Smith

<sup>a</sup> Underlined, possibly (but not certainly) for cancellation or correction.

<sup>b</sup> et firmaria MS.

<sup>1</sup> i.e. the sacrist, presumably to distinguish him from the sub-sacrist.

of Eye on the south side; to be held by himself, his heirs and assigns, for an annual rent of 5s. to the senior sacrist (cf. no. 527). Adam, his heirs and assigns, may not sell messuage or land save to the abbey, if it wishes to buy for a reasonable price, nor do anything else to the abbey's loss.  
1250-63

Uniuersis Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, J(ohannes) de Caletio diuina permissione abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos dedisse, concessisse et hac presenti carta confirmasse Ade de Walkote coko, pro homagio et seruicio suo, unum mesuagium cum pertinenciis in uilla de Burgo, quod quidem mesuagium iacet uersus pontem Martini iuxta domum Ade Fuhelay, et unam acram terre iacentem super Stibbyng in campis de Burgo et Carton, iuxta terram quondam Henrici fabri de Eya ex parte australi; tenenda et habenda dictum mesuagium et dictam acram terre cum pertinenciis sibi et heredibus suis uel assignatis libere, quiete et pacifice, reddendo inde annuatim superiori sacriste ecclesie nostre v solidos ad quatuor anni terminos, scilicet ad Natale Domini *xvd.*, ad Pascha *xvd.*, ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste *xvd.*, ad festum Sancti Michaelis *xvd.*, faciendo inde seruicium debitum et consuetum. Nos uero et successores nostri dictum mesuagium cum dicta acra terre dictis Ade et heredibus suis uel suis assignatis warrantizabimus. Dictus uero A(dam) siue heredes sui uel assignati sui dictum mesuagium cum dicta acra terre nemini uendent nisi nobis, dummodo eam rationabiliter emere uoluerimus, nullum etiam aliud facient per quod dictus redditus uel aliquid aliud ad nos pertinens minus percipere ualeamus. Et ut hec nostra donacio, concessio et carte confirmacio perpetuum robur permaneat, huic scripto sigilla nostra apposuius. Hiis testibus: Galfrido Russel tunc senescallo Burgi, Waltero de Miridene tunc balliuo Burgi, Thoma de Aula, Ada tannatore, Nigello de ecclesia, Simone pincerna, Roberto de Brynghirst, Roberto [f. 110<sup>v</sup>] Spechel, Johanne elemosinario, Roberto de Newerch, Johanne Durant, Rogero de infirmaria, et multis aliis.

529. Grant in fee-farm by Abbot J(ohn de Caux) (1250-63) and the convent to William son of Reyner, his heirs and assigns, of a messuage in Stamford, which the abbey bought from William of Wakerley out of its own holding (cf. no. 545), lying between the house of Hugh Reeve of Werrington and the house of Hugh Smith. The grantee may not assign it to religious or to Jews, and if he wishes to sell or gage it (see no. 525) he shall offer the abbey the first refusal and favourable terms. They shall hold it of themselves and their successors for an annual rent of 18s. for the anniversary of Richard de Waterville, knight, and John his son,<sup>1</sup> for all service save forinsec and 3d. per annum due to the abbot's chamber.  
1250-63

Omnibus Christi fidelibus presens scriptum uisuris uel audituris, J(ohannes) Dei gratia abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Willelmo filio Reyneri et heredibus suis et assignatis quoddam mesuagium in uilla de Staunford, illud scilicet quod emimus de Willelmo de Wakerele de tenemento nostro, et iacet inter domum Hugonis prepositi de Wytheryngton ex una parte et domum Hugonis fabri ex altera; tenendum et habendum dictum mesuagium cum pertinenciis suis ad feodi firmam de nobis et de successoribus nostris sibi et suis assignatis—preter quam uiris religiosis et Judeis—libere, quiete, pacifice inperpetuum; ita tamen quod si dictum mesuagium uendere uel inuadiare uoluerit nobis cicius et pro minori precio hoc faciet; reddendo inde annuatim nobis et successoribus nostris xij (*sic*) solidos

<sup>1</sup> Richard held the fee of Waterville of Marholm from before 1212 until some time in the middle of the century; he died without a surviving heir, so that John must have predeceased him (cf. P, p. 45 n.).

sterlingorum,<sup>a</sup> ad aniuersarium domini Ricardi de Wateruill quondam militis et Johannis filii eius perpetuo, faciendo<sup>b</sup> ad quatuor anni terminos, uidelicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis quatuor solidos et sex denarios, ad Natale Domini quatuor solidos et vi denarios, ad Pascha quatuor solidos et vi denarios, ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste quatuor solidos et vi denarios pro omni seruicio et seculari demanda, saluo forinseco et saluo trium denariorum annuorum seruicio ad cameram abbatis de Burgo pertinente. Nos autem et successores nostri warrantizabimus dictum tenementum cum pertinentiis suis dicto Willelmo et heredibus suis contra omnes gentes inperpetuum. Et ut hec nostra concessio et carte nostre confirmacio perpetuum robur optineat presenti scripto sigilla nostra apposimus. Hiis testibus: domino Symone de Sancto Licio, Gaufrido de Sancto Medardo, Gaufrido Russel tunc senescallo Burgi, Thoma filio Roberti, Hugone Fauuel, militibus, Thoma de Ufford, Roberto Puttok, Willelmo Salamon, Roberto Peuerel, [f. 111] Willelmo Blakeman, Willelmo filio Johannis de Walton, Thoma de Aula, et aliis.

*Date.* Thomas of Ufford was dead before the date of nos. 523-4, which represent a transaction with his widow, and also belong to the abbacy of John de Caux.

530. Confirmation (without warranty?) by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent of the manumission of William son of Ralph of Thorpe, late husband of Cecily, and their sons and daughters and descendants, as granted and confirmed by Abbots Andrew and Acharius, with their lands in and out of Thorpe, i.e. 14 acres in the fields of Thorpe and 1½ acres (3 × ½ acre) of meadow and a house with croft which William's father held; and in addition 1½ acres (3 × ½ acre) in the marsh near Thorpe and 3 roods at the cross and ½ acre of meadow in *Langnemed*.<sup>1</sup> They have granted Cecily and her descendants this manumission and these lands to be held free of servile dues and aid, save forinsec service and annual rents of 8s. each to the abbot's chamber and the sacristy (cf. no. 516). 1222-6

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, Alexander Dei permissione abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos ratam et gratam habere manumissionem Willelmi filii Radulphi de Thorp quondam mariti Cecilie et filiorum et filiarum suarum, cum posteris eorum, quam eis concesserunt et cartis suis confirmauerunt bone memorie abbates Andreas et Acharius, cum terris suis tam in uilla (de) Thorp quam extra, scilicet xiiij acras terre arabilis in campis de Thorp et iij dimidias acras prati et domum cum crofto que pater Willelmi tenuit; et preterea de (in)cremento iij dimidias acras terre que iacent in mora prope uillam de Thorp, et iij rodas terre que iacent apud crucem et dimidiam acram prati que iacet in *Langnemed*. Concessimus igitur prefate Cecilie<sup>e</sup> et filiis et filiabus suis et posteris eorum supradictam manumissionem et terras prenominate habendas et tenendas de nobis hereditarie, libere et quiete ab omni seruili consuetudine et ab omni demanda, scilicet auxilii ad festum Sancti Michaelis et omnium aliorum ad nos spectancium, saluo tamen forinseco seruicio et saluis xvj solidis camere abbatis et sacristie nostre annuatim reddendis, viij solidis camere abbatis et viij sacristie ad quatuor terminos anni, uidelicet ad festum Michaelis iiij s., ad Natale Domini iiij solidos, ad Pascha iiij solidos et ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste iiij solidos. Et ut hec manumissio et concessio &c. . .

531. Letters patent<sup>a</sup> of Abbot R(obert of Lindsey) (1214-22) and the convent granting to Ralph brother of Robert de Neville of Scott(on) (Lincs.) the wardship of his brother's

<sup>a</sup> MS. adds ad quatuor anni terminos, cancelled. . . perpetuo faciendum).

<sup>b</sup> Sic, perhaps for faciendum (ad aniuersarium . . . perpetuo faciendum).

<sup>c</sup> ecclesie MS.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. *Langnemed* in no. 520.

<sup>2</sup> This is an unusually early example of the importation from the royal chancery into a private charter of this phrase and the sealing clause which contains it; cf. no. 535 below (1222-6). Other early examples are in *Early Yorks. Charters*, viii, ed. C. T. Clay, nos. 91, 95 (c. 1210-c. 1225, c. 1215-40); *Chartulary of Cockersand Abbey*, ed. W. Farrer, iii. n. 972-3 (1225-50).

lands until the coming of age of Robert's son Ralph. Ralph has paid 20 marks and will do forinsec service due from the land in Scotton (Lincs.) and its appurtenances. If Ralph dies or enters religion before his nephew's coming of age, the wardship returns to the abbey.  
1220-2

Omnibus hoc scriptum uisuris R(oberthus) Dei gratia abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus salutem. Noueritis nos concessisse Radulpho de Neuill' fratri Roberti de Neuill' de Scotere<sup>1</sup> wardam tocius terre quam de nobis tenuit predictus Robertus de Scotere cum omnibus pertinenciis, usque ad legalem etatem Radulphi pueri filii prenominati Roberti de Neuille pro xx marcis quas idem Radulphus nobis dedit, saluis nobis forinsecis seruiciis, de predicta terra de Scotun cum pertinenciis. Et si forte contingat [f. 111<sup>v</sup>] sepedictum Radulphum de Neuill' in fata concedere uel uitam suam mutare ante legitimam etatem predicti Radulphi nepotis sui, prefata uarda cum pertinenciis nobis sine omni contradictione redibit. Et in huius rei testimonium has literas patentes nostras<sup>a</sup> sigillis signatas fecimus. Hiis testibus: Philippo de Aubeney, Oliuero fratre eius, Elia persona de Scotere, W. de Scotere.

*Date.* Abbot R. could be Robert of Lindsey, Robert of Sutton (1263-74), or Richard of London (1274-95). There appear to have been two Robert de Nevilles in the 13th century (cf. no. 496): one of them died in or after 1220, and the second seems to have held his lands from before 1274 until after 1300 (cf. P, p. 106 n.). If this is correct, the Robert whose death occasioned this charter can only be the earlier, the abbot must be Robert of Lindsey, and its date 1220-2 (so P, loc. cit.). This is confirmed by a royal grant of 22 January 1220/1 to Ralph de Neville 'usque ad etatem suam' (*Rot. Literarum Clausarum*, i. 446b).

532. Grant without warranty by Abbot A. and the convent to Ralph son of Reginald of Polebrook for his homage and service of all the land which Wymund son of Ailric of Ellington once held, save 1 virgate which Philip of Ellington holds; to be held by Ralph and his heirs of themselves and their successors, for an annual rent of 2s. If he should obtain Philip's virgate, Ralph will hold it of us for an annual rent of 4s., as Philip has done.

1194-1210 or 1222-6

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, A. Dei gratia abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Radulpho filio Reginaldi de Pokebrok pro homagio et seruicio suo totam terram quam Wymundus filius Ailrici de Elyntun de nobis aliquando tenuit, preter unam uirgatam terre quam Philippus de Elinton inde tenet; habendam et tenendam predicto Radulpho et heredibus suis de nobis et successoribus nostris libere et quiete et hereditarie, reddendo inde nobis per annum duos solidos ad quatuor anni terminos, scilicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis vj denarios, ad Natale Domini vjd., et ad Pascha vjd., et ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste vjd. pro omnibus seruiciis et consuetudinibus et exaccionibus ad nos pertinentibus. Si autem predictus (Radulphus) filius Reginaldi predictam uirgatam terre quam predictus Philippus tenet optinere possit, idem Radulphus eam de nobis tenebit et inde nobis reddet per annum quatuor solidos, sicut predictus Philippus reddidit. Et ut hec nostra concessio et confirmacio perpetuum robor optineat, presenti scripto sigilla nostra apposuimus. Hiis testibus: B(riano) de la Mar', et multis aliis.

*Date.* Brian de la Mare died in 1228; he was certainly tenant in 1212, and his predecessor last occurs in or after 1194 (P, p. 40 n.). Abbot A. could therefore be Andrew (1194-9), Acharius (1200-10), or Alexander (1222-6). Of these, Andrew seems the least probable.

<sup>a</sup> sic MS., perhaps for nostris.

<sup>1</sup> An error for Scotton (Lincs.)—'Scotune' (see below): although the two places are adjacent and closely connected, the Neville fee does not seem to have included holdings in Scotter (see P, pp. 105 f.: 'Neuille de Scottone').

533. Confirmation without warranty by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent of the grant by William son of Reginald to the abbot and convent of Bury St. Edmunds of 1 rood in Castor; and grant of free carriage by the public road from Barnack to the water, and of the right to transport marble and any other stone or anything else bought for their own use by the river Nene between Alwalton (Hunts.) and Peterborough, with security on oath by the abbot and convent of Bury; for an annual rent of 6s. 1222-6

Omnibus has literas uisuris uel audituris A(lexander)<sup>a</sup> Dei gratia abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus salutem.<sup>b</sup> Notum sit uobis nos ratam et gratam habere concessionem et donacionem illius terre in campis de Castre, scilicet unius rode, quam Willelmus filius Reginaldi concessit et dedit abbati et conuentui [f. 112] Sancti Eadmundi, et nos concessisse eisdem liberum cariagium suum per uiam publicam de Bernake et per terram illam usque ad aquam sine omni inpedimento de nobis et balliuis nostris. Preterea concessimus eisdem quod liceat eis inperpetuum libere, bene et in pace et sine omni exaccione et inpedimento<sup>c</sup> ducere marmor et quamlibet aliam petram ad usus suos proprios,<sup>d</sup> per aquam que dicitur Nien,<sup>e</sup> inter Alwolton<sup>e</sup> et Burgum, prestita securitate per fidei interposicionem proprietatis<sup>f</sup> abbatis et conuentus Sancti Eadmundi. Pro hac autem concessione predicti abbas et conuentus Sancti Eadmundi dabunt<sup>g</sup> nobis annum redditum sex solidorum. Ut autem hec concessio rata sit et stabilis inperpetuum, hanc cartam nostram eis in futurorum memoriam fecimus et sigillis nostris communuimus. <sup>h</sup>Hiis testibus: domino Hugone abbate Rames(eie), domino Henrico abbate Croyland', domino Roberto abbate Thorn(eie), Ricardo de Argentom', Johanne de Ulkotes,<sup>i</sup> Johanne Gumbont, Ada de Thit(*sic*), Roberto Passelewe,<sup>k1</sup> magistro Roberto Morel, Symone de Catishill', et aliis.<sup>h</sup>

*Text.* This charter is also in A, f. 45 (and C2, f. 75<sup>r-v</sup>) and copied in three Bury cartularies in the Cambridge University Library: the Black Book (*Nigrum registrum de vestiario*, Mm. iv. 19), ff. 32<sup>v</sup>-33 (late 13th century) (Bl); the sacrist's register (*Registrum sacristae*, Ff. ii. 33), ff. 52<sup>v</sup>-53 (13th century) (S); the cellarer's register (Gg. iv. 4), f. 91 (130) (15th century—referring to, and possibly copied from, Bl; the text ends at 'Gumbont' among the witnesses). Bl and S are independent, but variants between them are insignificant, and only noted when S's reading is to be preferred. P signifies an agreement between MS. and A; B between the Bury texts.

534. Grant without warranty by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent to Robert le Sermonour (cf. no. 517) of 1 bovat of land in Reepharn (Lincs.), and the toft and meadow with all appurtenances, which Ascelin the clerk held, for an annual rent to the abbot of 1 mark (see p. lxi). 1222-6

Sciunt presentes et futuri quod ego Alexander Dei gratia abbas ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus dedimus,<sup>1</sup> concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Roberto Sermonour unam bouatam terre in campis de Ryfam<sup>m</sup> et toftum et pratum cum omnibus pertinenciis, que Ascelinus clericus tenuit; habenda et tenenda libere et quiete et hereditarie, reddendo inde annuatim abbati Burgi unam marcarn argenti pro omni seruicio et exaccione ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad Natale Domini xl denarios, ad Pascha xl denarios,<sup>n</sup> ad festum Sancti Botulphi xl denarios, ad festum Sancti Michaelis xl denarios. Et ut hec nostra confirmacio rata permaneat et inconcussa, presentem cartam sigillis nostris munitam in futurorum memoriam dedimus.

*Text.* Also in A, f. 45<sup>r-v</sup> (and C2, f. 77<sup>v</sup>).

<sup>a</sup> Alexander B. <sup>b</sup> B adds in Domino. <sup>c</sup> pedimento MS. <sup>d</sup> B adds et alias res quascumque proprias habeant uel ad usus proprios emptas. <sup>e</sup> Nien MS. Neen A Nen B. . . Alwolton P Alewalton B. <sup>f</sup> proprietatis P. <sup>g</sup> dederunt B. <sup>h-h</sup> From B; P om. the witnesses. <sup>i</sup> Ulfcotes S. <sup>k</sup> So S; Passel' Bl. <sup>1</sup> MS. adds et. <sup>m</sup> Ryfam A. <sup>n</sup> ad Pascha xl denarios MS. om. A.

<sup>1</sup> Possibly the Robert Passelewe who subsequently made his name and his fortune as a royal clerk (see *D.N.B.*).

535. Letters patent<sup>1</sup> of Abbot A(lexander) (1222-6) and the convent granting to Baldwin de Vere or his assign Robert Eularie the wardship of the land held by William Maufe in Woodford with its appurtenances, and the wardship of the children, heirs next in descent from William, with their marriage, until they come of age, saving dues and services pertaining to the abbey. None is to be married without the abbey's leave. For this grant Baldwin paid 10 marks.

1222-3

Omnibus hoc scriptum uisuris A(lexander) Dei gratia abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Noueritis nos concessisse et presenti carta confirmasse Baldeuino (de) Weer uel ipsius certo assignato, scilicet Roberto Eularie, custodiam terre que [f. 112<sup>v</sup>] fuit Willelmi Maufe in Wodeford cum<sup>a</sup> pertinentiis, cum custodia liberorum qui heredes sunt proximo decedentes de predicto Willelmo, cum maritagio eorundem, saluis nobis consuetudinibus et seruiciis ad nos de predicta terra pertinentibus; habendam sibi usque ad plenam etatem predictorum heredum. Si autem aliquis eorum debeat maritari non maritabitur nisi per assensum nostrum. Pro hac eciam concessione dedit nobis predictus Baldewinus decem marcas argenti. Et in huius rei testimonium has literas patentes sigillis nostris signatas fecimus. Hiis testibus: R(adulpho) filio Reginaldi tunc uicecomite Lync(olneshire), R. filio Hunfridi, Wydone Wak', Johanne Gubband.

*Date.* William Maufe was alive in 1212; Baldwin was in possession by 1223 (P, p. 60 n.); Ralph son of Reginald was sheriff of Lincs. 1221-9. Abbot A. must therefore be Alexander, and the date 1222-3.

536. Grant without warranty by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent to master Ralph of Collingham their clerk of 100s. per annum, so long as he serves them faithfully or is absent in the schools with their leave, until they provide him with a better benefice.

1222-6

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, Alexander Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos mero caritatis intuitu concessisse et dedisse clerico nostro magistro Radulpho de Colyngnam centum solidos argenti annuos, ad quatuor terminos anni particulariter percipiendos, quamdiu in obsequio nostro ministrauerit fideliter uel se de licencia nostra scolarum exercitiis transtulerit, quousque ei in uberiori beneficio prouiderimus, ut sic melius et firmitus in agendis nostris et obsequio permaneat. In huius donacionis nostre robur et testimonium presens scriptum eidem contulimus et signis nostris communiuimus. Teste capitulo nostro.

537. Grant without warranty by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent to William of Thorpe<sup>2</sup> for his service of all the land held by Ralph of Coleby in Peterborough between the land of William Folesank and the land of Geoffrey of Werrington; to be held by himself and his heirs of themselves and their successors, for an annual rent of 7s. 8d. to the cellary.

1222-6

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quorum audienciam presens scriptum peruenerit, Alexander permissione diuina abbas de Burgo et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos dedisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Willelmo de Thorp pro seruicio suo totam terram illam que fuit Radulphi de Coleby, iacentem in uilla Burgi inter terram Willelmi Folesanke et terram Gaufridi de Wytheryngton; tenendam de nobis et successoribus nostris libere et quiete et hereditarie [f. 113] sibi et heredibus suis, reddendo inde annuatim celerarie nostre vij solidos et octo denarios ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad Natale Domini xxiiijd., ad Pascha xx et iijd.,

<sup>a</sup> et MS.

<sup>1</sup> Cf. no. 531.

<sup>2</sup> Possibly the same William as in nos. 516, 530; but cf. P, p. 55 n.

ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste xxiiij<sup>d</sup>., ad festum Sancti Michaelis xxiiij<sup>d</sup>. pro omni seruicio terreno et seculari exaccione ad nos pertinente. Et ut hec nostra donacio firma et stabilis ad noticiam futurorum (permaneant), presenti scripto sigilla nostra apposuimus. Hiis testibus: Ricardo de Satfletesby (*sic*) tunc senescallo Burgi, G. de Belested, A. clerico de Eboraco, et aliis.

538. Grant by Abbot Alexander (1222-6) and the convent to William and John Piteman, brothers, of a messuage with houses and appurtenances in Priestgate, Peterborough, formerly held by Ralph Skinner, which the abbey bought from Peter his son; to be held by themselves and their heirs for an annual rent of 12d. to the abbot's chamber and 12d. to the almonry. 1222-6

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos (presens) scriptum peruenerit, Alexander Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in auctore salutis. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos de assensu capituli nostri<sup>a</sup> dedisse et concessisse et presenti carta confirmasse Willelmo Pyteman et Johanni Pyteman fratribus, unum mesuagium cum domibus et pertinenciis in uilla Burgi, scilicet in Prestesgate, quod fuit quondam Radulphi peliparii, quod emimus de Petro filio eius; habendum et tenendum sibi et heredibus suis libere, quiete et honorifice in perpetuum, soluendo camere abbatis duodecim denarios annuatim ad Natale Domini et xij denarios elemosinarie nostre ad Pascha pro omni seruicio ad nos pertinente. In huius autem donacionis nostre testimonium et futurorum memoriam, presens scriptum in warrantum secundum tenorem cartarum quas de prenominato habemus mesuagio, prenominationis fratribus Willelmo et Johanni dedimus et sigillis nostris communiuimus. Teste capitulo nostro et aliis multis.

539. Grant without warranty by Abbot M(artin of Ramsey) (1226-33) and the convent to Walter son of John of Collingham, his heirs and assigns, for his homage and service, of a messuage with appurtenances in Collingham (Notts.), and 2½ bovates pertaining to the messuage, which John son of Walter once held; to be held of themselves for an annual rent of 20s. Walter and his heirs may not gage or grant to religious the land and messuage, or alienate in any way without the abbot's leave. 1226-33

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit, M(artinus)<sup>b</sup> Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos dedisse et concessisse et presenti carta confirmasse Waltero filio Johannis de [f. 113<sup>v</sup>] Colyngham et heredibus suis uel eius assignatis, pro homagio et seruicio suo, unum mesuagium cum pertinenciis in uilla de Colyngham, et duas bouatas terre et tres partes unius bouate pertinentes ad mesuagium predictum, que Johannes filius Walteri aliquando tenuit; habenda et tenenda de nobis integre, honorifice, libere,<sup>c</sup> quiete et hereditarie, reddendo nobis pro omni seruicio ad nos pertinente xx solidos ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad Natale Domini quinque solidos, ad Pascha vs., ad festum Sancti Johannis vs., ad festum Sancti Michaelis vs.; ita tamen quod non liceat predicto Waltero uel heredibus suis predictam terram et mesuagium inuadiare uel religiosis conferre, uel aliquo modo alienare sine assensu nostro. Et ut hec nostra donacio, concessio et confirmacio in perpetuum inconcussa<sup>d</sup> permaneat, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione communiuimus. Hiis testibus.<sup>e</sup>

*Text.* Also in A, f. 45<sup>v</sup> (and C2, ff. 75<sup>v</sup>-76<sup>v</sup>).

*Date.* Presumably later than 540, since the grantee's father seems to be manumitted in no. 540. But John's son is Thomas in 540, and it is not impossible that Walter son of John (no. 539) was father to John son of Walter (no. 540).

<sup>a</sup> nostro MS.

<sup>b</sup> Mart' A.

<sup>c</sup> MS. adds et.

<sup>d</sup> inconcussum MSS.

<sup>e</sup> A adds etc.



540. Manumission by Abbot M(artin of Ramsey) (1226-33) and the convent of John son of Walter of Collingham and Thomas his son. 1226-33

Notum sit omnibus presentibus et futuris quod ego M(artinus) Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Johanni filio Walteri de Colyngham et Thome filio eius omnimodam libertatem corporis sui et tocius legitime procreationis eiusdem Thome inperpetuum. Et ut hec nostra concessio et confirmacio inperpetuum inconcussa permaneant, presentem cartam sigillis nostris munitam dedimus eis in futurorum memoriam. Hiis testibus: Ricardo de Saltfletby tunc senescallo Burgi, Alexandro de Merynges, Willelmo de Stanton et multis aliis.

541. Quit-claim by Abbot Martin (of Ramsey) (1226-33) and the convent to Roger de Neville and his heirs of the annual rent of  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. of pepper which Roger rendered for the lands he held in Peterborough, when he granted (i.e. returned) to the abbey one messuage, i.e. that lying between the land and buildings of Edmund Tailor and the house of William Cook. 1226-8

Uniuersis sancte matris ecclesie filiis ad quos presens scriptum peruenerit Martinus Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem eternam in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos remisisse Rogero de Neuill' et heredibus suis dimidiam libram piperis de una libra quam nobis solebat reddere [f. 114] annuatim pro terris suis quas tenuit in uilla Burgi, de quibus dedit et concessit et carta sua confirmauit nobis unum mesuagium, scilicet illud quod iacet inter terram et edificia Edmundi sartoris ex una parte et domum Willelmi coci ex altera. Et (ut) hec nostra relaxacio et quieta clamancia rata permaneant, presenti scripto sigillum nostrum apposuius. Hiis testibus: Ricardo de Wateruill', Briano de la Mar', Rogero de Torpel iuniore, Roberto filio Gaufridi, Ricardo de Salfletesby tunc senescallo Burgi, Henrico persona de Paston, magistro Radulpho de Colyngham, Adam de Pillesgate, Willelmo de Scotere, et multis aliis.

Date. Brian de la Mare died in 1228 (P, p. 40 n.).

542. Grant without warranty by Abbot M(artin of Ramsey) (1226-33) and the convent to Hugh Dod of Gedney (Lincs.), his heirs and assigns—excluding religious—for his homage and service, of 7 acres in one furlong in Paston which Robert de Thoth<sup>1</sup> gave to the chapel of St. Mary in the Park<sup>2</sup> belonging to the infirmary. The furlong abuts to the east on the land of Roger son of Benedict Baker of Peterborough, to the west on the land of Agnes Puding. The grantees will pay an annual rent of 2s. to the chapel. 1226-33

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quorum audienciam presens carta peruenerit, M(artinus) permissione diuina abbas ecclesie Burgi et eiusdem loci deuotus in Christo conuentus, salutem in Domino eternam. Uniuersitati uestre notum esse uolumus nos unanimi assensu et communi fratrum nostrorum uoluntate dedisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Hugoni Dod de Gedeneya et heredibus suis uel cui assignare uoluerit—preter quam uiris religiosus—pro homagio et seruicio suo, septem acras terre in una cultura in teritorio de Paston quas Robertus de Thoth<sup>a</sup> dedit capelle Beate Marie de parco pertinenti ad infirmariam nostram; que cultura uersus orientem abuttat super terram Rogeri filii Benedicti pistoris de Burgo et uersus occidentem abuttat super terram Agnetis Puddyng.<sup>a</sup> Quare uolumus ut prefatus Hugo et heredes sui uel eius assignati, preter quam uiri religiosi, habeant et teneant prefatam terram cum omnibus pertinenciis et aysiamentis prefate terre pertinentibus, libere,

<sup>a</sup> Thoth . . . Pudding<sup>g</sup> A.

<sup>1</sup> Or Tot (cf. P, p. 108 n.).

<sup>2</sup> Mellows suggested (P, p. 108 n.) that this was to be identified with the 'Park kirk', or chapel of St. Mary Magdalene at Newark, near the abbot's park (cf. also Morton, index, s.v. Newark: and above, no. 499).

quiete et hereditarie, reddendo inde singulis annis prefate capelle pro omni seruicio terreno duos solidos sterlingorum ad duos anni terminos, uidelicet ad Pascha xij*d.*, [f. 114<sup>v</sup>] (et) ad festum Sancti Michaelis xij*d.* Quod ut perpetue firmitatis robur optineat, presentem cartam sigillorum nostrorum appositione duximus confirmandam. Hiis testibus.<sup>a</sup>

*Text.* Also in A, ff. 45<sup>v</sup>-46 (and C2, f. 78<sup>r-v</sup>).

543. Grant in fee-farm by Abbot J(ohn) de Caux (1250-63) and the convent to Geoffrey Russel and Euphemia his wife of 1 virgate of land with a messuage and appurtenances which the abbey held in Milton, and which had been granted to it by Reginald son of Roger of Milton; to be held of themselves and their successors. He and his heirs will pay an annual rent of 22*s.*, and also do forinsec service; they will not gage, sell, or demise it to anyone save the grantors and their successors, if they wish to have it.<sup>1</sup> 1250-63

Universis Christi fidelibus presens scriptum uisuris uel auditoris, J(ohannes)<sup>b</sup> de Caletto Dei gratia abbas de Burgo Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos unanimi assensu tradidisse et concessisse dilecto et fideli nostro Galfrido Russel et Eufemie uxori sue ad feodi firmam, unam uirgatam terre cum mesuagio et pertinenciis quam habuimus in Melleton, quam quidem terram Reginaldus filius Rogeri de Melleton nobis condam contulit; habendam et tenendam de nobis et successoribus nostris. Ipse et heredes sui reddent inde annuatim<sup>c</sup> xx duos solidos sterlingorum ad quatuor anni terminos, uidelicet ad Natale Domini v solidos et vjd.; ad Pascha v solidos et vjd.; ad festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste vs. et vjd.<sup>d</sup>; ad festum Sancti Michaelis vs. et vjd., pro omni seruicio. Faciente<sup>e</sup> nobis et successoribus nostris ipse et heredes sui forinsecum seruicium, si debitum fuerit et consuetum; ita tamen quod dictam terram teneat ad feodi firmam ut predictum est. Nos autem et successores nostri dicto Gaufrido et heredibus suis dictam terram cum mesuagio predicto et suis pertinenciis per predictam firmam contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus inperpetuum. Dictus autem Galfridus et heredes sui dictam terram cum pertinenciis nulli inuadiabunt nec uendent nec dimittent nisi nobis et successoribus nostris, si tamen ipsam habere uoluerimus. In cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum et sigillum capituli nostri presenti scripto duximus apponenda,<sup>f</sup> dat' apud Burgum anno gracie millesimo ducentesimo . . .

*Text.* Also in A, f. 46 (and C2, ff. 78<sup>v</sup>-79).

544. Grant by Abbot Robert and the convent to Geoffrey their butler in the refectory of  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre of land beyond *Beche*, once the almoner's, lying between the land of their chaplain of St. John the Baptist's<sup>2</sup> and of Helsi of Eye, in exchange for his toft in Midgate (*Howgate*) pertaining to his office. 1214-22 or 1263-74

[f. 115] Sciant tam presentes quam futuri quod ego Robertus abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus dedimus et concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Galfrido pincerne nostro de refectorio, dimidiam acram terre ultra *Beche* que quondam fuit elemosinarii nostri, que iacet inter terram capellani nostri Sancti Johannis Baptiste et terram Helsi de Eya; tenendam et habendam in escambium tofti sui in *Howgate* pertinentis ad ministerium suum

<sup>a</sup> A adds etc.

<sup>b</sup> Johannes A.

<sup>c</sup> reddent (reddend' A) inde annuatim om. MS.

<sup>d</sup> ad festum—vjd. repeated in MS.

<sup>e</sup> faciendo MSS. (they clearly both copied a text reading reddend' . . . faciend', which could only be correct if one makes several further emendations).

<sup>f</sup> apponendum MSS.

<sup>1</sup> For this charter and the Russel holding in Milton, see P, pp. 78 n., 80; for the Russel family, P, pp. 107 ff., esp. p. 109 n.

<sup>2</sup> i.e. the parson of the chapel (later the parish church) of St. John the Baptist, Peterborough (cf. no. 524).

pincerne nostre. Nos uero et successores nostri predictam dimidiam acram prefato Galfrido et heredibus suis contra omnes homines warantizabimus in perpetuum. Hiis testibus.

*Date.* The abbot may be either Robert of Lindsey (1214-22) or Robert of Sutton (1263-74). Most of Robert of Lindsey's charters lack a warranty clause, which may favour the later date for this charter.

545. Grant in fee-farm without warranty by (Abbot William Hotot (1246-9) and the convent to William of Wansford)<sup>1</sup> of the houses in Stamford which the abbey bought from William of Wakerley (cf. no. 529), for an annual rent of 18s. 22 April 1246

Willelmus de Walmesford habet cartam abbatis et conuentus sub ista forma: Omnibus Christi fidelibus &c. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et presenti carta nostra ad feodi firmam tradidisse domos nostras in Staunford, illas scilicet quas emimus de Willelmo (de) Wakerle; et dictus W(illemus) redd(et) singulis annis decem et octo solidos pro omni seruicio ad nos pertinente ad quatuor terminos anni, scilicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis iij solidos et vj denarios, (et) similiter heredes sui. In cuius rei testimonium . . . dat' anno gratie M<sup>o</sup>CC<sup>mo</sup> xlvj a (sic) quindena Pasche anno domini Willelmi abbatis primi.

546. Grant in fee-farm by Abbot William (Hotot) (1246-9) and the convent to Geoffrey Daubur and his heirs for their service of a messuage with appurtenances in Cumbergate, Peterborough, between the houses once held by Henry Megresaus and Robert Chaumbyrleyn; to be held of themselves and their successors for an annual rent of 10s. to the abbot's chamber and 2s. to the altar of St. Mary—the latter for Thomas of the Hall's quit-claim (this charter is abstracted in no. 58 above; cf. nos. 56-57). 1246-9

Omnibus Christi fidelibus presentes litteras uisuris uel audituris Willelmus Dei gratia abbas Burgi et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et presenti carta nostra confirmasse Gaufrido Daubur et heredibus suis pro seruicio suo quoddam mesuagium cum pertinenciis suis in Burgo, scilicet in Comberesgate et est inter domum quondam Henrici Megresaus et domum quondam Roberti Chaumbyrleyn in Combesgate (sic); tenendum et habendum dictum messuagium ad feodi firmam de nobis et successoribus nostris sibi et heredibus suis libere et quiete et hereditarie, reddendo [f. 115<sup>v</sup>] inde annuatim camere abbatis nostri decem solidos ad quatuor anni terminos, uidelicet ad Pascha xxxd. &c. pro omni seruicio ad nos pertinente; soluet etiam altari Sancte Marie duos solidos anuos per eosdem terminos. Nos autem et successores nostri warantizabimus dictum tenementum dicto G(aufrido) et heredibus suis contra omnes gentes in perpetuum. Istos autem duos solidos soluet dictus G(aufridus) propter resignationem et quietam clamanciam Thome de Aula qui habuit inde cartam abbatis<sup>a</sup> scilicet de dicto messuagio. Harum cartarum hii sunt testes: Thomas de Ufforde tunc senescallus Burgi, magister R. . . .

*Date.* The possibility that Abbot William could be of Waterville (1155-75) or of Woodford (1295-9) is ruled out by the attestation of Thomas of Ufford (cf. nos. 523-4, 529).

547. Grant without warranty by Abbot Robert (of Lindsey) (1214-22) and the convent to Simon son of Henry of Irthlingborough and his heirs of the virgate of land with appurtenances called *Bokkesworth*, which his father Henry held, with half a toft by the messuage of Henry's father (?); to be held of themselves for an annual rent of 1 mark, save forinsec service to the king. 1214-22

<sup>a</sup> ald' MS.

<sup>1</sup> Although the names of the abbot and of the grantee are omitted from the text of the charter, the heading gives the latter (his Christian name is repeated in the text) and the dating clause determines the former.

Notum sit omnibus tam presentibus quam posteris quod ego Robertus Dei gratia abbas ecclesie Sancti Petri de Burgo totusque eiusdem loci conuentus in Christo concessimus et presenti carta confirmauimus Simoni filio Henrici de Irthelyngburg<sup>a</sup> et heredibus suis, illam uirgatam terre cum pertinenciis que uocatur terra de Bokkesworth, quam pater suus Henricus tenuit, simul cum dimidio tofto iuxta mesuagium patris ipsius Henrici; tenenda de nobis libere, quiete, integre et honorifice et hereditarie, reddendo inde nobis singulis annis pro omni seruicio et omni consuetudine ad nos pertinente unam marcam argenti ad quatuor terminos anni, uidelicet in festo Sancti Michaelis xld., et in festo Natalis Domini xld., et in festo Pasche xld., et in festo sancti Johannis xld.,<sup>b</sup> saluo forinseco seruicio domini regis. Et ut hec nostra concessionis confirmacio stabilis et firma perseueret, eam presenti carta<sup>c</sup> et sigillorum nostrorum appositione duximus corroborare.<sup>d</sup> Hiis testibus:<sup>e</sup> domino Rogero de Torpol, magistro Gaufrido Gybwyn et aliis.

*Text.* Also in A, f. 46<sup>v</sup> (and C2, f. 79).

*Date.* There was no Roger of Torpel after 1254 (P, p. 34 n.) and so the abbot must be Robert of Lindsey. The second witness also occurs in documents of the early 13th century (see p. 226).

548. Grant without warranty by Abbot John (de Caux) (1250-63) and the convent to John and Thomas, sons and pupils of Master William of Peterborough, rector of Barnack, their heirs and assigns—excluding religious, apart from the abbot and convent of Peterborough—of 17 acres of arable in Barnack with 1½ acres and ½ rood of meadow and their appurtenances, which Hugh son of Richard of Peterborough once held of them in Barnack by socage tenure; to be held of the abbey for an annual rent to the sacristy of 10s. No Michaelmas aid or merchet will be exacted on account of this holding from themselves, their heirs, assigns, or tenants. They will, however, perform the following services: they will plough every year at Pilsgate (in Barnack) with one plough on the summons of the sacrist or his servants, for the winter sowing for one day, and for a second day for the summer sowing without allowance of food from the lord, and for a third day with the food allowance; and they will harrow at Pilsgate for one day for the summer sowing, and they will hoe (or weed) with one man for one day, and they will reap the sacrist's corn in autumn with one man for two days without the food allowance and the third day with the allowance; they will reap the ½ acre called *Whetehalfac*<sup>r</sup>; they will find one man for one day at Pilsgate to carry the sacrist's hay, and they will cart two loads of hay from the sacrist's meadow to the barn at Pilsgate; and they will do suit of court at Pilsgate in perpetuity. The recipients swear not to molest the abbot and convent on any ground arising from this enfeoffment; if they are convicted of doing so they will be liable to a fine of 20s. For this grant Master William quit-claimed to the abbey the houses which he held of the abbey for life in London with their appurtenances and surrendered his charter. 1250-63

Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quorum audienciam presens scriptum peruenit, Johannes Dei gratia abbas Burgi Sancti Petri et eiusdem loci conuentus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra nos concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Johanni et Thome filiis et alumpnis magistri Willelmi<sup>g</sup> de Burgo rectoris ecclesie de Bernak et heredibus eorum et eorum assignatis—exceptis uiris religiosis aliis a nobis—x eth vij acras terre arabilis iacentes in campis de Bernak, cum una acra et dimidia et dimidia roda prati cum pertinenciis suis, quas Hugo filius Ricardi de Burgo de nobis quondam tenuit in Bernak nomine sokagii<sup>i</sup> cum edificiis, redditibus, pascuis et aliis pertinentiis suis; tenendas [F2, f. 64<sup>v</sup>] et habendas de nobis et successoribus nostris predictis Johanni et Thome et heredibus eorum uel eorum assignatis—exceptis uiris religiosis aliis a nobis—libere, quiete et pacifice, reddendo inde annuatim sacristie ecclesie nostre de Burgo xs. argenti ad quatuor terminos anni, uidelicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis ijs. vjd., ad Natale

<sup>a</sup> Irthingburgh A. <sup>b</sup> et in festo Natalis—xld. om. MS. (only one term is included in MS., as in no. 546). <sup>c</sup> carte MSS. <sup>d</sup> corroborand<sup>r</sup> A. <sup>e</sup> A ends here with etc. <sup>f</sup> om. MS. <sup>g</sup> W. M. <sup>h</sup> om. F. <sup>i</sup> MS. ends here: sokagii is the catchword of the next quire, now lost.

Domini ij s. vj d., ad Pascha ij s. vj d. et ad Natiuitatem Beati Johannis Baptiste ij s. vj d., pro omni seruicio<sup>1</sup> et seculari demanda ad dictam terram pertinente—hoc specialiter adiec(t)o, quod de dictis Johanne et Thoma uel eorum heredibus seu assignatis, uel eorum tenentibus, ratione istius tenementi, de tenemento predicto nichil exigatur de auxilio Sancti Michaelis uel mercheto; saluis tamen nobis seruiciis subscriptis que predicti Johannes et Thomas et eorum heredes uel eorum assignati annuatim facient, uidelicet arabunt annuatim apud Pillesgate cum una caruca ad summonitionem nostri sacriste uel eius seruient(i)um, semel ad ybernagium per unum diem, et secundo ad trameys sine cibo domini, et tercio arabunt ad cibum domini; et herciabunt ibidem per unum diem ad trameys; et sarculabunt cum uno homine per unum diem; et metent in autumpno bladum sacriste cum uno homine per duos dies sine cibo domini, et tercio die ad cibum domini; et metent dimidium acram que uocatur Whetehalfacr'; et inuenient unum hominem per unum diem ibidem ad fena sacriste leuanda, et cariabunt duas carectatas feni de prato sacriste ad grangiam de Pill(esgate); et sectam ad curiam de Pill(esgate) facient de curia in curiam imperpetuum. Predicti autem Johannes et Thomas pro se et eorum heredibus et assignatis sacramento prestito firmiter promiserunt quod occasione presentis feodacionis, predictos abbatem et conuentum nullatenus inquietabunt; et quocienscunque contra promissionem istam in aliquo contrahenerint, per predictos abbatem et conuentum conuicti pena xxs. puniantur. Pro hac autem concessione et carte nostre confirmacione reddidit et quietas clamauit nobis predictus magister Willelmus domos cum pertinenciis apud London(ias), quas habuit de nobis per cartam nostram in uita sua, et eandem cartam cum omni iure quod inde habuit, uel habere potuit, in manus nostras plene restituit. Et ut hec nostra concessio et carte nostre confirmacio perpetuum robur obtineat, presenti scripto sigilla nostra apposuius. Hiis testibus: domino Hugone uicario de Makeseya, domino Thoma filio Roberti, domino Hugone Fauuel, Galfrido Russell' tunc senescallo Burgi, Nicholao de Faumulo (?), Gilberto filio Hugonis de Bernak, Geruasio filio Ricardi de Bernak, Thoma de Aula, Roberto Peuerel, Roberto Puttok, Rogero de Badyngton, [F2, f. 65] Ricardo Folesank' et aliis.

*Text.* Only a fragment remains in the MS.: see note i. The full text is in F2, ff. 64-65.

## [X X]

549. *The treatise on the quadrant: see above, pp. xxi-xxiii.*

## [XXI]

550. List of holdings in the meadows of Alkborough (Lincs.),<sup>2</sup> divided between two fields, *Middeleng* and *Bruneng*.<sup>3</sup>

[f. 123] Nomina eorum qui tenent pratum in prato de Hauteberge, et particule eorum iacentes in Middeleng et in Bruneng.

<sup>1</sup> This is puzzling, in view of the elaborate services listed below. 'hoc specialiter adiecto' may indicate that what follows was an afterthought (and, possibly, that this text is taken from a draft). If so, it was a very substantial afterthought; and it is possible that 'seruicium' is here used in the narrow sense of rent or money due—or that one should read 'pro omni redditu'.

<sup>2</sup> By the Humber, north of Scunthorpe—Walcot is now a hamlet attached to it.

<sup>3</sup> It is impossible to date this document at all closely. Nos. 551, 554, 557, 560-1 are dated between 1340 and 1346-7, in chronological order, and it is possible that no. 550 is c. 1340, reasonably certain that 552-3 are of about that date. But 555 is possibly and 554 certainly much earlier, and 558-9 cannot be dated; thus although these documents at the end of the MS. seem to have been added in the 1340's, some of them are in origin considerably older.

Primo scilicet in Middeleng incipiens a parte australi: Robertus de Bertheuile habet culturam suam de Walkote de feudo Reginaldi de Walkote de feodo prioris de Thornholm, propinquior pastura de Medeleng dich ad Westdic, in latitudine uersus aquilonem usque ad pratum Walteri de Suthiby et Westdich. Hugo Simple de Halton et Herui filius Acer, xj andoines de Medelengdic usque ad medietatem prati. Agnes uidua de Walkot xj andoines contra illos usque ad fossum de Westdic. Elwinus de Walkot le Munir xj andoines ad fossum. Galfridus filius Willelmi prepositi vj andoines de Midelengdic usque ad fossum. Prior de Thornholm suam culturam de Medelengdic ad Westdic. Persona de Halton iij andones similiter. Hugo Simple iij andones ad Westdic. Willelmus de Lile v andones ad Westdic. Robertus filius Tenant v andones similiter. Herui filius Acer ix andones similiter. Willelmus filius Dreu ix andones. Prior de Thornholm. Johannes de Hothun x andones. Alanus Bekenchep vij andones. Ricardus filius Askel iij andones. Prior de Thornholm suam culturam. Johannes de Suthiby iij andones. Walterus suus uicinus iij andones. Henricus de Walkote suam culturam. Willelmus Hemming iij andones. Radulphus Gosse iij andones. Robertus filius Reineb' iij andones. Persona de Halton iij andones. Radulphus Acer de Halton iij andones. Bekenchep vj andones. Ricardus filius Askel ix andones. Robertus filius Mirild' iij andones. (Radulphus Acer de Halton.<sup>e</sup>) Persona de Halton iiij andones. Rogerus de Wittegifte iiij andones. Hunfridus de Etheby iiij andones. Reginaldus de Walkot iiij andones. Helwyne iiij andones. Hunfridus de Etheby iiij andones. Agnes uidua de Walkote vij andones. Prior de Thornholm suam culturam. Persona de Halton iij andones. Hugo Simple iij andones. Herui filius Acer de Halton iij andones. Rogerus de Wittegifte vj andones. Hode Suthiby vj andones. Hunfridus de Hetheby iij andones. Robertus Scrop iij andones. Ricardus filius Alwyn iiij andones. Dan<sup>a</sup> de Walkote vij andones. Galfridus filius Iol vij andones. Henricus de Walkote suam culturam. Willelmus filius Wlstan de Hetheby vj andones. Robertus et Ricardus de Hetheby iiij andones. Willelmus Heming iiij andones. Radulphus Gosse iiij andones. [f. 123<sup>v</sup>] Willelmus filius fratris (*sic*) vj andones. Radulphus de Walkot v andones. Galfridus filius Iohel v andones. Hunfridus de Hetheby vij andones. Robertus Scrop vij andones. Willelmus filius Radulphi de Hetheby (vj<sup>e</sup>) v andones. Robertus et Ricardus de Hetheby iiij andones. Henricus pistor v andones. Willelmus filius fratris x andones. Ricardus de Walkot v andones. Hode But de Walkot ij andones et dimidia. Herebertus de Til ij andones et dimidia. Willelmus de Insula v andones. Hugo Simple v andones. Henricus de Hetheby v andones. Herui filius Acer v andones. Willelmus de Insula iij andones. Lambertus de Walkot v andones. Simon de Walkot v andones. Radulphus Acer de Halton v andones. Walterus filius Wluuse vj andones. Simon de Walkot iij andones. Abbas de Burgo suam culturam. Lambertus filius Iuonis de Walkote x andones. Willelmus Simunt (?) iiij andones. Robertus de Hetheby ij andones. Radulphus filius Gos de Etheby iij andones. Willelmus Scapewit ix andones. Johannes de Walkote iij andones. Walterus Suthibi iij andones. Lambertus filius Iuonis de Walkot vj andones. Simon de Walkote xij andones. Walterus filius Wlfridi ix andones. Ricardus filius Askel vj andones. Abbas de Burgo suam culturam. Hode Suthiby vj andones. Simon de Walkote vj andones. Elwinus Munir ix andones. Herui de Walkot iij andones. Galfridus Iohel iij andones. Johannes Suthiby iiij andones. Walterus Suthiby iiij andones. Galfridus filius Hugonis iij andones. Hode But de Walkot iij andones. Herbertus de Til iij andones. Hunfridus filius Ailrid' v andones. Abbas de Burgo suam culturam. Hode Suteby vj andones. Willelmus filius Arnaldi iiij andones. Mater eius vij andones. Walterus Abby alterum pratum et fossum.

<sup>a</sup> sic, or Dau.

Bruneng, de Holfflet usque Medeleng: Eborard habet ij acras. Radulphus filius Herui de Halton j acram. Alanus de Wittegifte j acram. Hutrirus de Walkote j acram. Willelmus filius Walteri j acram. Reginaldus de Witing j acram. Ricardus Tas dimidiam acram. Robertus filius Rainb' dimidiam acram. Radulphus filius Gos j acram. Willelmus Hemming j acram. Willelmus filius Wolstan et Willelmus filius Breider j acram. Simon filius Betris ij perches. Robertus Strye ij acras et dimidiam. Robertus camerarius et Robertus de Wasingberg quilibet dimidiam acram contra Robertum Strie apud West (que faciunt dimidiam acram<sup>e</sup>). Prior de Spalding ij acras, j perche minus. Tunc est cultura domini Willelmi Wyn, v andones usque ad Stikelyng [f. 124] flote apud West, que faciunt dimidiam acram. Persona de Halton iij andones, contra illum apud West, que faciunt dimidiam acram. Radulphus de Wyteney j acram et dimidiam, medietas ad Stikeleng flet et medietas ad magnum mar(esium). Willelmus Arnal(d)us iij andones contra illum usque magnum mar(esium). Arnaldus vj andones contra illum ad magnum mar(esium). Alicia uidua vj andones iuxta Arnaldum, contra Radulphum de Witten'. Robertus filius Reinb' et Radulphus Gos ij andones de Holfflet ad Medelengdic. Ricardus Elwyne iij andones similiter. Ricardus le Uenur vj andones a Medelingdic. Tunc cultura Henrici de Walkote, scilicet viij andones de Holfflet ad Medelingdic. Thomas Rud iij andones similiter. Persona de Halton vj andones similiter. Herebertus de Til vj andones ad magnum mar(esium). Galfridus Iohel et Radulphus Bonde vj andones contra illum ad Medelingdic. Alicia uidua vj andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium). Robertus cementarius vj andones contra illam ad Midelingdic. Alanus de Wittegifte iij andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium). Hawys uidua iij andones contra illum ad Medelingdic. Witredus de Til iij andones de Holfflet ad Medelingdic. Willelmus filius Walteri de Walkot viij andones. Robertus Strie viij andones contra illum ad magnum mar(esium). Tunc cultura de Thornholm, viij andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium), et vj andones ad Medeleng. Walterus Abby vj andones ad magnum mar(esium). Iones Obi iij andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium). Reginaldus Meriet x andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium) et iij andones ad Midelingdic. Reginaldus de Wittegifte vj andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium) et xiiij andones ad Midelingdic. Reginaldus Simif iij andones de Holfflet ad Midelingdic. Simon Betris xxij andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium). Lamb(ertus) contra illum xii andones ad Midelingdic. Willelmus filius Radulphi de Hetheby vj andones de magno mar(esio) ad Midelingdic. Tunc cultura de Thornholm, vj andones de Holfflet ad Midelingdic. Persona de Halton iij andones a Midelingdic. Willelmus Wyn v andones de Holfflet ad magnum mar(esium). Willelmus Arnaldus iij andones a Midelingdic. Arnaldus vj andones similiter. Robertus camerarius iij andones similiter. Robertus de Wassynghur' iij andones similiter. Reginaldus filius Simyf vj andones a Midelyngdic. Simon Betris iij andones similiter. Ricardus de Scotere vj andones a Holfflet ad [f. 124<sup>v</sup>] Medeleng. Alanus de Wytegifte iij andones similiter. Herebertus de Scotere iij andones similiter. Ioscellinus Scrop et Alicia uidua iij andones de Holfflet ad medietatem prati. Hunfridus et Willelmus Wlston iij andones contra illos. Ricardus Uenator iij andones de Holfflet ad Medelyng. Willelmus Hemming iij andones similiter. Abbas de Burgo viij andones similiter, de Holflet ad Medelingdic. Persona de Halton viij andones similiter. Prior de Thornholm viij andones de Holfflet ad Midelingdic. Lambertus iij andones similiter. Simon Betris iij andones de Holfflet ad Midelingdic. Tunc est cultura domini Hugonis Dispens(er).

Summa acrarum contentarum in Marys et Metelyng clxxx et iij.

## [XXII]

551. List of holdings in the manors of Glinton and Castor on virgates of bond land (*terre natiue*) farmed to free men, of which inquisitions were made in 1340.<sup>1</sup> 1340

[*f. 125*] Virgate terre natiue affirmate diuersis liberis hominibus in maneriis de Castre et Glynton, unde facte fuerunt inquisitiones anno domini Henrici abbatis secundo et anno regni regis E(dwardi) tercii xiiij.

GLYNTON. Willelmus filius Galfridi: ij acras in Breclond inter terram Thome de Clopton ex parte occidentali, et j acra in Breclond iuxta terram Thome de Clopton ex parte occidentali,<sup>a</sup> et j roda in Breclond iuxta terram Hugonis de Northburg' ex parte australi, et j acra et di. in le Norfeld iuxta terram Hugonis de Norb(urgo) ex parte aquilonari, et j roda in le Norfeld iuxta terram Galfridi Gelous ex parte australi, et j roda in le Norfeld iuxta terram Johannis Gribi ex parte australi, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram rectoris de Norburg' ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Johannis Gentyl ex parte australi, et di. acra in le Westfeld iuxta terram rectoris de Norburg' ex parte occidentali, et j acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburg' ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Willelmi filii Galfridi ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in le Southfeld iuxta terram Thome le Hayward ex parte occidentali, et j roda atte Bate yate iuxta terram rectoris ex parte occidentali, et j roda abuttat super Carisdick iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte australi, et j roda in Wadehow iuxta terram Johannis Gentyl ex parte australi, et triroda super le Croftis iuxta terram prioris de Depyng<sup>2</sup> ex parte occidentali, et due acre prati in le Southfrehth iuxta pratum domini abbatis ex parte australi, et j roda et di. prati in Gordel iuxta pratum Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte australi, et j roda et di. prati in Gordel iuxta pratum Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte australi, et j roda et di. prati in Gorle iuxta pratum Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte australi, et j roda prati in Stokforlong iuxta pratum domini abbatis de <Burgo> ex parte orientali, et j roda super eundem forlong iuxta pratum domini [*f. 125<sup>v</sup>*] abbatis ex parte orientali, et di. roda prati que est forera iuxta quoddam forthe Galfridi Gelous, <et> iij acre abuttant super Makesy-dick iuxta terram prioris de Depyng ex parte australi, et j acra et di. super le Fendik iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte australi, et j acra et di. super le Fendyk iuxta terram Walteri de Gendale ex parte aquilonari, et j acra super Frenkgate iuxta terram prioris de Depyng ex parte aquilonari, et j acra abuttat super Frenkgate iuxta terram Willelmi Yaker ex parte australi, et j acra et di. abuttat super foreram Petri de Harder et iacet iuxta terram Meyte ex parte australi, et j acra abuttat super Frenkgate et iuxta terram Willelmi Yaker ex parte australi, et due acre abuttant super le Fendik iuxta terram prioris ex parte australi, et j acra abuttat super Frenkgate iuxta terram Radulphi Gerwold de Makeseye ex parte aquilonari, et j acra super Frenkgate iuxta terram prioris de Depyng ex parte australi, et j acra abuttat super Frenkgate iuxta terram Petri de Arderne ex parte aquilonari, et j acra in campo de Norburgh' iuxta terram Rogeri Cut ex parte occidentali, et j roda in eodem campo iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburg' ex parte australi, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Willelmi filii Galfridi ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Isoud Gebbe ex parte aquilonari, et di.

<sup>a</sup> in Breclond—occidentali] sic MS. *The repetition is perhaps an error.*

<sup>1</sup> Abbot Henry's second year ran from 8 Dec. 1339 to 7 Dec. 1340 (dating by his election), 14 Edward III from 25 Jan. 1339/40 to 24 Jan. 1340/1.

Throughout this section we have printed *di.* for *dimidia*. The case of *acra* shifts from *nom.* to *acc.* and vice versa from time to time; we have not put a *sic* for each shift.

<sup>2</sup> See no. 350 and n.



acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte orientali, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte aquilonari, et j roda in eodem campo iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex utraque parte, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Isolde Gibbe ex parte orientali, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Thome de Clopton ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in eodem campo iuxta terram Johannis Griby ex parte orientali.

Johannes Ricard senior: di. acra opin Hyl iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte australi, et di. acra super eundem forlong iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrkeyate ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Kyngisbalke iuxta terram Radulphi Walleron ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Welewenebrygge iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte orientali, et [f. 126] di. acra abuttat super Norburbgate iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrkeyate ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super Stretegate iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat super Borughgate iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte aquilonari, et j roda super Catforlong iuxta terram Walteri Westerne ex parte occidentali, et j acra super Wellemor iuxta terram rectoris ex parte occidentali, et di. acra super Bonecroft iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte orientali, et di. acra super le Crosdik iuxta terram Willelmi Dode ex parte australi, et j acra atte Goris iuxta terram Michaelis Saleman ex parte australi, et j acra in campo de Wytheryngton iuxta terram Johannis filii prepositi ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Goris iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte aquilonari, et j roda abuttat super Bradegate iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et j acra super Bradegate iuxta terram Willelmi Fenkote ex parte australi, et j triroda abuttat super Bradegate iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte aquilonari, et j acra super le How iuxta terram Johannis Prodhumme ex parte australi, et j roda et di. prati in Gordel iuxta pratum Willelmi filii Galfridi ex parte aquilonari, et j roda prati in Gordel iuxta pratum Willelmi filii Galfridi ex parte aquilonari (*sic*).

Johannes Rowe: j acra iacet oboue Wellemor iuxta terram Henrici Sander-sone ex parte una et terram Radulphi Franceys ex altera, et j acra in Cattes-forlong iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat contra Stretegate et iacet iuxta terram Rogeri Neyonge ex parte orientali, et di. acra in ye Dale iuxta terram Ricardi Prodhumme ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat contra Burghgate et iacet iuxta terram Reginaldi Burgeys ex parte australi, et di. acra iuxta terram Johannis atte Hil ex parte aquilonari, et j acra abuttat contra Bonecroft iuxta terram Willelmi de Helpiston ex parte orientali, et j acra atte Goris iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte aquilonari, et j acra abuttat contra Marhamdik iuxta terram Galfridi Prodhumme ex parte orientali, et triroda abuttat super Marhamdik iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte occidentali, [f. 126<sup>v</sup>] et j acra ope ye Cley iuxta terram Willelmi Wolwyne ex parte aquilonari, et j di. acra on ye Cley iuxta terram Johannis Ionis ex parte aquilonari, et j roda on Boneland iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et j roda ope Cley iuxta terram Christine uxoris Reginaldi ex parte aquilonari, et j roda in Flaxlond iuxta terram Matilde Wolwyne ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat contra Bradegate iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat contra Bradegate iuxta terram Matilde Wolwyne ex parte australi, et j acra atte Goris iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte aquilonari, et j roda in Watterley iuxta terram Willelmi Crok ex parte australi, et j triroda Menhowe iuxta terram Willelmi Griffyn ex parte australi, et j roda Me(n)howe iuxta terram Matilde Wolwyne ex parte australi, et di. acra iuxta terram Willelmi de Helpiston ex utraque parte, et j mora opyn Hyl iuxta terram Galfridi Prodehumme ex parte australi, et due acre et di. acra in ye Nerthecroft iuxta terram Johannis Tuk ex parte orientali, et di. acra on Stretlondis iuxta terram<sup>a</sup> domini abbatis ex parte occidentali, et di. acra abuttat

<sup>a</sup> iuxta terram iuxta terram MS.

contra uiam regiam iuxta terram (Johannis Hernald<sup>e</sup>) Willelmi Kendale ex parte occidentali, et j acra abuttat contra uiam regiam iuxta terram Johannis Hernald ex parte occidentali, et j roda atte Northehend iuxta terram rectoris ex parte orientali, et triroda iuxta terram Willelmi de Kendale ex parte orientali et terram Willelmi atte Kyrkeyate ex parte occidentali, et di. acra iuxta<sup>a</sup> Willelmum Kendale ex parte orientali et terram Johannis Hodiernae ex parte occidentali, et di. acra abuttat contra Norburgate iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et j roda et di. iuxta terram Willelmi Crok ex parte australi et j roda iuxta terram Matilde Wolwyne ex parte aquilonari, et j roda atte Brigg' iuxta terram Willelmi Fenkote ex parte occidentali, et di. acra terre iuxta terram Willelmi Griffyn ex parte orientali, et j roda atte Wellcroft iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrkeyate ex parte australi, et j roda iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte occidentali, et j roda prati atte Norburbrigg' iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et j roda prati atte Stonilondes iuxta [f. 127] pratum Simonis Bernard ex parte orientali et pratum Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte occidentali.

Robertus de Huntedyngdone: j di. acra iuxta terram Walteri Tuk ex parte occidentali, et j roda atte Borowgate iuxta terram Johannis Fichs (?) ex parte occidentali, et j roda in ye Longedale iuxta terram Roberti Herward ex parte aquilonari, et j acra iuxta terram Willelmi Wolwene ex parte orientali, et j acra atte Goris iuxta terram Willelmi Bretoun ex parte aquilonari, et j di. acra atte Goris iuxta terram Isabelle Inge ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra in Watterled iuxta terram Agnetis atte Grene ex parte orientali, et Ed (*sic*) di. acra atte Stapples iuxta terram Willelmi Griffyn ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra othe Howe iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale (rectoris<sup>i</sup>) ex parte aquilonari (austr<sup>i</sup>), et di. acra atte Milne iuxta terram Willelmi de Kendale ex parte aquilonari, et j acra hopin Hil iuxta terram Ricardi Alyon ex parte australi, et di. acra hopin Weltoph iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte australi, et di. acra at Norburbrig iuxta terram Willelmi de Helpiston ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat contra Norburgate iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat contra le Brok iuxta terram Willelmi Griffyn ex parte occidentali, et di. acra abuttat contra le Merdyk iuxta terram Johannis Ricard iunioris ex parte orientali, et j roda abuttat contra le Merdyk iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte occidentali, et j triroda on Aueyorn forlong (iuxta terram Johannis Ricard iunioris<sup>e</sup>), et j roda abuttat contra Merdik iuxta terram Reginaldi Burgeis ex parte orientali, et di. acra atte Kyngsbalke ex parte orientali, et j acra in ye Northcroft iuxta terram Johannis Hodeyerne ex parte orientali, et di. acra betwene ye Tounhis iuxta terram Willelmi de Kendale ex parte orientali, et j roda prati in ye Por' medwes iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte orientali.

Johannes Hodeyerne: j roda on Blakmyld iuxta terram Radulphi Walroun ex parte australi, et di. acra o ye Dale iuxta terram Johannis Ricard iunioris (Willelmi Brok<sup>i</sup>) ex parte occidentali, et j triroda on Aueyorn forlong [f. 127<sup>v</sup>] (iuxta terram?) Johannis Ricard iunioris ex parte occidentali, et di. acra opyn Wertonfeld iuxta terram Alicie Schapeleyn ex parte orientali, et di. acra atte Goris iuxta terram Isabelle Inge ex parte aquilonari, et j acra atte Goris iuxta terram Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Goris iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Tacroft iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat contra Bradgate iuxta terram Ricardi Prodhomme ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Cleye iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte australi, et j roda atte Cley iuxta terram Radulphi Walroun ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Staplys iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra o ye How iuxta

<sup>a</sup> iuxta iuxta MS.

terram Willelmi Helpiston ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Wilwenebrigg' iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte orientali, et di. acra between ye Brokys iuxta terram rectoris ex parte orientali, et j roda abuttat contra le Medowdik iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat super ye Kyrkeweye iuxta terram Johannis atte Hil ex parte orientali, et j acra houer Yercweye iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte orientali, et j acra in ye Northcroft iuxta terram Willelmi Wolwene ex parte orientali, et j roda prati in ye Sneip iuxta pratum Willelmi Helpiston ex parte aquilonari, et j roda prati in Wellemor iuxta pratum Willelmi Kendale ex parte occidentali.

Willelmus Fenkote: j acra iuxta Borowgate ex parte orientali, et di. acra in ye Dale iuxta terram Willelmi Wolwene ex parte orientali, et di. acra in ye Longdale iuxta terram Reginaldi Burgeys ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra in Boncroft iuxta terram Thome Gubbay ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super Bradgate iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super Bradgate iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Schitop iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra on ye Cley iuxta terram Johannis atte Hil ex parte australi, et di. acra iuxta terram domini abbatis ex parte australi, et j roda atte Milne iuxta terram Johannis Jones ex parte australi, et j roda atte Milne iuxta terram Roberti Filhous ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra opin Hil iuxta terram Ricardi Alyoun ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Brigge iuxta terram Galfridi carectarii ex parte orientali, et di. acra transuersus Makesygate iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in ye Sneype iuxta terram Matilde Wolwene [*f.* 128] ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat super le Wardik iuxta terram rectoris ex parte occidentali, et j roda abuttat super Norburgate super terram Ricardi de Crulond ex parte aquilonari, et j acra in ye Northcroft iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte occidentali, et di. acra super le Dede cley iuxta terram Roberti Herward ex parte orientali, et j roda abuttat super Manscland iuxta terram Walteri Tuk ex parte orientali, et di. acra aboute Fremans iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra prati in Manssland iuxta pratum Willelmi Griffyn ex parte occidentali, et j roda et di. prati in ye Stokforlong iuxta pratum Johannis Godesone ex parte occidentali.

Willelmus Fenkote: di. acra on Cattisforlong iuxta terram rectoris ex parte orientali, et j acra abuttat super Wertonfeld iuxta terram Roberti Filhous ex parte orientali, et di. acra o ye Dede cley iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte occidentali, et di. acra on Boncroft iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte australi, et j roda atte Goris iuxta terram Willelmi de Helpiston ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Schitop iuxta terram Johannis le Bedil ex parte australi, et di. acra o ye Cley iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte aquilonari, et j roda atte Milne iuxta terram Willelmi Fenkote ex parte australi, et j roda atte Milnegate iuxta terram Willelmi Bretoun ex parte aquilonari, et j roda abuttat super Bradgate iuxta terram Ricardi Prodhumme ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super le Milnegate iuxta terram Johannis Bedil ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in ye Sneipe iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte occidentali, et triroda abuttat super Norburgate iuxta terram Reginaldi Burgeys ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super le Meredik iuxta terram Johannis de Clare ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat super le Wardik iuxta terram Roberti Fulhous ex parte orientali, et di. acra in Burgeyscroft iuxta terram Thome Tubbay ex parte australi, et di. acra in Waterlede iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte orientali, et j roda opin Welleforlong iuxta terram Ricardi Prodhumme ex parte occidentali.<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> orientali occidentali MS.

Willelmus Bretoun: j acra aboue Westerneys iuxta terram Walteri Westerne ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super Stretegate iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Wellemor iuxta [f. 128<sup>v</sup>] terram Johannis Tuk ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Blakimild iuxta terram Radulphi Walroun ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra in ye Dale iuxta terram Roberti atte Strete ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in Deriscroft iuxta terram Johannis Prodhumme ex parte occidentali, et di. acra in Deriscroft iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte occidentali, et j roda o ye Dede cleye iuxta terram rectoris ex parte occidentali, et triroda atte Goris iuxta terram Walteri Tuk ex parte aquilonari, et j acra atte Goris iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte aquilonari, et triroda atte Bradegate iuxta terram Reginaldi Burgeys ex parte australi, et di. acra on ye Cley iuxta terram Willelmi Griffyn ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Milne iuxta terram Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte australi, et di. acra transuersus Makesgate iuxta terram Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte orientali,<sup>a</sup> et triroda abuttat super Makesgate iuxta terram Ricardi de Croulond ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super le Wardik iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte orientali, et j triroda in Weltopht iuxta terram Johannis Tuk ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super Norburgate iuxta terram Willelmi de Helpiston ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Scortbutdik iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte aquilonari, et j roda in Hettounholdfeld (?) iuxta terram de Leimoys (*sic*)<sup>1</sup> Sancti Michaelis ex parte orientali, et triroda abuttat super Stamfordegate iuxta terram Hugonis de Norborow ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat super Stamfordgate iuxta terram<sup>b</sup> Alicie Westerne ex parte occidentali, et di. acra super Stamfordtheforlong iuxta<sup>b</sup> terram Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte occidentali, et j acra atte Ioneys dik iuxta terram Willelmi Crok ex parte orientali.

Johannes atte Hil de Peykyrke: j acra abuttat super uiam regiam iuxta terram Johannis Ricard (senioris<sup>c</sup>) iunioris ex parte orientali, et j acra in Apiltounwong iuxta terram domini abbatis ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Hawestile iuxta terram Willelmi Porker ex parte orientali, et j acra atte Balke iuxta terram Willelmi Godesone ex parte orientali, et j acra on Bonecroft iuxta terram rectoris ex parte aquilonari, et j acra atte Gorech'dik iuxta terram Radulphi Franceys ex parte aquilonari, et j acra [f. 129] abuttat super le Crosdik iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Cley iuxta terram Willelmi Fenkote ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Schitop iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super le Brok iuxta terram Willelmi Porker ex parte aquilonari, et j acra abuttat super Bradgate iuxta terram Johannis de Clare ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super Norburgate iuxta terram rectoris ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super Norburgate iuxta terram rectoris ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Forthend iuxta terram (*sic*) ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Forthhende iuxta terram<sup>b</sup> Simonis atte Dam ex parte orientali, et di. acra prati atte Pul iuxta pratum Willelmi Crok ex parte australi, et di. acra prati in Manscland iuxta pratum Willelmi Kendale ex parte occidentali, et di. roda prati in Gordel iuxta pratum Hugonis de Norburgh' ex parte australi.

Johannes Bedil: j acra atte Brodestrete iuxta terram Willelmi Porker ex parte australi, et di. acra in Cattisforlong iuxta terram Roberti Filhous ex parte occidentali, et j roda abuttat super Wellemor iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte orientali, et di. acra super Wellemor iuxta terram rectoris ex parte occidentali, et di. acra super Wellemor iuxta terram Isabelle Inge

<sup>a</sup> australi orientali MS.

<sup>b</sup> iuxta terram iuxta terram . . . iuxta iuxta MS.

<sup>1</sup> The nuns of St. Michael, Stamford.

ex parte occidentali, et j roda atte Blakmyld iuxta terram Galfridi Predil ex parte australi, et j acra atte Dede cley iuxta terram Isabelle Inge ex parte occidentali, et j di. acra atte Goris iuxta terram Christine uxoris Reginaldi ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Goris iuxta terram Ricardi Prodhomme ex parte australi, et j acra atte Marhamdik iuxta terram Galfridi carectarii ex parte orientali, et j acra atte Yerspitt iuxta terram Christine uxoris Reginaldi ex parte australi, et j acra on ye Cley iuxta terram Isabelle Inge ex parte australi, et j acra et di. atte Schitop iuxta terram Galfridi Purkas ex parte australi, et j acra o ye Cley iuxta terram Simonis Gentil ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Milne iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte australi, et j acra o ye How iuxta terram W(illelmi) Wolwene ex parte orientali, et j acra o the How iuxta terram Ricardi de Croyland ex parte australi, et di. acra iuxta terram domini abbatis ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super le Wardik iuxta terram Johannis Ricard iunioris ex parte [f. 129<sup>v</sup>] occidentali, et di. acra super eundem forlong<sup>a</sup> iuxta terram Johannis Ricard senioris ex parte occidentali, et j acra et di. super le Northcroft iuxta terram Johannis Fyshs ex parte orientali, et di. acra super Mansland iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte occidentali, et j acra super Langelondis iuxta terram abbatis ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super le Heygate iuxta terram Johannis Garswade<sup>a</sup> junioris ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Halle style iuxta terram Roberti Lofwyk ex parte orientali, et j acra atte Brodstrete iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte orientali, et di. acra abuttat super Stretegate iuxta terram Johannis Chapeleyn ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super Stretegate iuxta terram Galfridi carectarii ex parte occidentali, et j roda prati in Welle-mor iuxta pratum Isabelle Inge ex parte orientali, et j acra prati in Westing iuxta pratum de Marham ex parte australi, et di. acra in ye North Freyths iuxta pratum domini abbatis ex parte australi, et di. acra terre arabilis in campo de Norborgh<sup>i</sup> iuxta terram Hugonis de Norburgh<sup>7</sup> ex parte australi.

De eodem Johanne de libera terra: et di. acra o ye Cley iuxta terram Willelmi Kendale ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra super le Hil iuxta terram Johannis Prodhomme ex parte occidentali.

Johannes de Clare: di. acra abuttat super Stretegate iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrkeyate ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Lessicros<sup>b</sup> iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte australi, et di. acra aboue Palmers iuxta terram Simonis atte Dam ex parte australi, et j acra atte Bonecroft iuxta terram Radulphi Franseys ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra atte Bonecroft iuxta terram Willelmi Griffyn ex parte australi, et di. acra atte Marhamdik iuxta terram Willelmi de Kendale ex parte orientali, et j acra atte Schithep iuxta terram Willelmi Crok ex parte australi, et di. acra in Tacroft iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrkeyate ex parte australi, et j roda super le Stapples iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et j acra o ye How iuxta terram Simonis le Writh ex parte occidentali, et j acra super le How iuxta terram Johannis Chapeleyn ex parte occidentali, et j acra super le Hil iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et di. acra opin Hil iuxta terram Walteri Westernne ex parte orientali, et di. acra in campis de Hetton iuxta [f. 130] terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte occidentali, et di. acra atte Weltopht iuxta terram Johannis Bonde ex parte orientali, et j roda at Norborowgate iuxta terram Willelmi de Helpiston ex parte australi, et di. acra super le Wardik iuxta terram Willelmi de Fenkote ex parte orientali, et di. acra atte Schortlondis iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte occidentali, et j roda et di. prati in Gurdell iuxta pratum Willelmi filii Galfridi ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra in ye Pulmedwes iuxta pratum Walteri filii Johannis ex parte occidentali, et j roda prati in Manscland iuxta pratum Willelmi atte Kirkeyate ex parte occidentali.

<sup>a</sup> MS. adds ex parte, not cancelled.

<sup>b</sup> sic, ? for Lefsi cros.

Radulphus Franceys: j acra aboue Fremannis iuxta terram Isabelle Inge ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra super Streteforlong iuxta terram Johannis Garswade junioris ex parte orientali, et triroda super eundem forlong iuxta terram Radulphi ex parte orientali, et j roda et di. super Haweyornforlong iuxta terram Isabelle Inge ex parte aquilonari, et j acra super Cattisforlong iuxta terram Willelmi Godesone ex parte orientali, et j acra in ye Dale iuxta terram rectoris ex parte aquilonari, et j acra super Wellemor iuxta terram Johannis Rowe ex parte occidentali, et j acra super Borughgate iuxta terram Petri Wolwene ex parte occidentali, et di. acra super eundem furlong iuxta terram Henrici Saundersone ex parte occidentali, et j acra super Bonecroft iuxta terram Johannis atte Hil ex parte aquilonari, et di. {acra?} super eundem forlong iuxta terram rectoris ex parte australi, et j acra super Gorecheisdik iuxta terram Johannis atte Hil ex parte australi, et di. acra in Tacroft iuxta terram Petri Wolwene ex parte australi, et j acra abuttat super Bradegate iuxta terram Walteri filii Johannis ex parte aquilonari, et j acra super Lampithege iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte aquilonari, et j acra atte Schitop iuxta terram Walteri Tuk ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super Bradegate iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte aquilonari, et triroda super eundem forlong iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte aquilonari, et di. acra abuttat super Bradegate iuxta terram Johannis atte Hil ex parte australi, et di. acra abuttat super le Wrongbrok iuxta terram Reginaldi Burgeys ex parte australi, et di. acra super le Howe iuxta terram Michaelis Salamon ex parte orientali, et j acra super le Hil iuxta [f. 130<sup>v</sup>] Milnegate ex parte australi, et di. acra super Hil iuxta terram Willelmi Griffin ex parte australi, et j roda super le Hil iuxta terram Philippi Herward ex parte australi, et j acra at Bernardisbuttis iuxta terram Johannis Tuk ex parte australi, et j acra et di. abuttat super le Wardik iuxta terram Radulphi ex parte orientali, et di. acra at Ionisdik iuxta terram Johannis Godesone ex parte occidentali, et j acra et di. in Estcroft iuxta terram domini abbatis ex parte australi, et di. acra prati in Wellemor iuxta pratum Johannis Rowe ex parte orientali, et di. acra terre iacet super le Cley iuxta terram Willelmi de Fenkote ex parte boriali.

[f. 131] CASTRE. Walterus Burgcis tenet j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Paris, j rodam iuxta Simonem Hert, j acram et di. iuxta Johannem Thorold, j acram iuxta Johannem Fleshever, j trirodam iuxta eundem Willelmum, j di. acram iuxta Marg(eriam) Asselyn, j acram et j rodam iuxta Thomam Leueroun, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Waryn, j rodam et di. iuxta Simonem Hert, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Hert, j di. acra iuxta Rogerum Hert, j triroda iuxta abbatem, j roda iuxta Simonem Hert, j di. acra iuxta Sarram de Carleton, j di. acra iuxta Henricum Cordel, j di. acra iuxta Simonem Hert, j triroda iuxta Rogerum Hert, et j triroda iuxta eundem Rogerum, j di. acra iacet in Thicwode, j di. acra iuxta rectorem ecclesie, j acra et di. iuxta Ricardum Bretoun, j roda et di. iuxta Thomam Leueroun, j roda iuxta Willelmum Hert, j di. acra et j di. roda iuxta Petrum Burdon, j di. acra iuxta Willelmum Benet de Milton, j triroda iuxta abbatem, j acra iuxta Bernard de Pickworth. Eynyng: j roda iuxta Thomam Leueron, j triroda iuxta rectorem, j acra iuxta eundem rectorem, j triroda iuxta Willelmum Godeman, j roda et di. iuxta eundem Willelmum, j di. roda iuxta Galfridum Hert, j di. acra et j roda iuxta Simonem Hert, j triroda iuxta Willelmum Hert, j di. acra et j di. roda iuxta Rogerum Hert, j roda et di. iuxta Rogerum Smyth de Marham, j di. roda iuxta Galfridum Hert, j triroda iuxta Thomam Leueroun, j acra iuxta abbatem, j acra iuxta Nicholaum Morel, j triroda iuxta rectorem, j roda et di. iuxta Gilbertum Dyke, j roda et di. iuxta Walterum Burgeys, j roda et di. iuxta eundem Walterum, j roda et di. iuxta Simonem Hert, j di. acra iuxta Henricum Cordel, j di. acra iuxta Simonem Hert, di. acra apud Aldewemor iuxta Simonem Morel. Pratum :

j di. acra in le Mor iuxta abbatem, j acra in Estholm iuxta celerarium de Burgo, j di. acra iuxta Nicholaum Morel in Michilholm, j di. acra in Wydmereslade. Summa: xxi acre terre et ij acre et di. prati.

Johannes de Eylisworthe tenet in Wodefeld j acram iuxta Adam [*f. 131<sup>v</sup>*] Smyth, j trirodam iuxta Johannem le Reue, j acram iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j di. acram iuxta Ricardum Laueroc, j rodam et di. iuxta eundem Ricardum, j di. acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j trirodam iuxta Nicholaum de Paston, j trirodam iuxta eundem Nicholaum, j acram iuxta Willelmum Bounton, j trirodam iuxta regalem uiam, j rodam et di. iuxta Nicholaum Paston, j di. acram iuxta Johannem de Walkot, j di. acram iuxta Hugonem filium Walteri, j acram iuxta Willelmum Bounton, j rodam et di. iuxta Johannem le Reue, j acram iuxta Johannem Walkote. In Dole: j di. acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j trirodam iuxta Robertum de Walton, j acram iuxta Willelmum Waryn, j di. acram iuxta Herberdbalk. In Murforlong: j acram et di. iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j trirodam iuxta Gilbertum Carter, j rodam et di. iuxta Willelmum Bounton, j di. acram iuxta Johannem le Reue. In ye Neyerfeld: j acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti filii Rogeri, ij acras iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j acram iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j acram iuxta Johannem filium Roberti de Sutton, j acram et di. iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti le Reue, j di. acram prati in Ynggnell medue iuxta Johannem le Reue, et j di. acram iuxta Stephanum filium Rogeri, j rodam iuxta Ricardum le Reue, j di. acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti le Reue, j di. acram in Mikilholm iuxta Willelmum Waryn. Summa: xxiii acre terre et ij acre et j roda prati.

Johannes filius Gilberti filii Rogeri tenet in Wodefeld: j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j rodam et di. iuxta Willelmum Cauntebrigg', j trirodam iuxta abbatem de Burgo Sancti Petri, j rodam et di. iuxta Adam Smyth, j acram et di. iuxta Gilbertum Cartere, j di. acram iuxta rectorem ecclesie de Castre, j trirodam iuxta eundem rectorem, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Bounton, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Cauntebrigg', j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j rodam et di. iuxta Willelmum de Eston, j trirodam iuxta Robertum de Walton, j trirodam iuxta Rogerum filium Gilberti filii Rogeri, j acram iuxta Nicholaum Paston, j rodam et di. iuxta Gilbertum Cartere, j trirodam iuxta Johannem Morel. In ye Neyerfeld: j acram iuxta Beatricem Botiller, j trirodam iuxta [*f. 132*] Johannem filium Gilberti le Reue, j acram iuxta Gilbertum Carter, j acram iuxta Willelmum filium Rogeri, j acram iuxta Ricardum le Reue, j trirodam iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti Reue. In Dole: j acram iuxta Beatricem Botiller, j trirodam iuxta Nicholaum Paston, j rodam et dimidiam iuxta Robertum Cauntebrigg', j rodam et dimidiam iuxta Beatricem Botiller. Super Kyrke forlong: j rodam et di. iuxta Robertum de Walton, j acram iuxta Willelmum Waryn, j acram iuxta Matildam Strake, j acram et di. iuxta Willelmum Waryn, j di. acram iuxta Johannem Cauntebrigg', j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Bounton, j trirodam iuxta Ricardum Reue, j triroda (*sic*) iuxta abbatem de Burgo, j trirodam iuxta Ricardum Lauerock, j di. acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j rodam iuxta Johannem de Sutton. Pratum: j acram iuxta Johannem Cauntebrigg', j di. acram iuxta Gilbertum Carter, j acram et j rodam iuxta Hugonem filium Walteri, j rodam iuxta Hugonem filium Walteri. Summa: xxvij acre et iij rode et di. terre et iij acre prati.

Nicholaus de Paston tenet in Wodefeld: j trirodam iuxta Rogerum filium Gilberti, j di. acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti le Reue, j di. acram iuxta Johannem Cauntebrigg', j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j trirodam iuxta Waltherum Burgeys, j acram iuxta Johannem Walkot, j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j trirodam iuxta Johannem



le Reue, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j trirodam iuxta Rogerum Bette, j di. acram iuxta Ricardum le Reue, j acram iuxta abbatem, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j trirodam iuxta Johannem le Reue, j di. acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti filii Rogeri, j acram et di. iuxta Johannem le Reue, j trirodam iuxta eundem Johannem. In Dole: j acram iuxta Adam Smyth, j acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti filii Rogeri, j acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti, j trirodam iuxta Johannem Walkot. In ye Neyerfeld: j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Waryn, j di. acram iuxta Ricardum Lauerok, [f. 132<sup>v</sup>] j di. acram iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti, j di. acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j trirodam iuxta Gilbertum Carter, j di. acram iuxta Johannem le Reue, j acram iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j di. acram iuxta eundem Willelmum, j acram iuxta Beatricem Botiller, j rodam et di. iuxta eandem, et j rodam et di. in ye Wodefeld iuxta Adam Smyth. Pratum: j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Cordel, j di. acram iuxta Johannem Cauntebrigg', j acram iuxta Adam Smyth, j trirodam iuxta Hugonem filium Walteri, j (tri<sup>o</sup>)rodam iuxta Willelmum Cauntebrigg'.

Summa: xxiiij et di. acre terre et iij acre et j roda prati.

Henricus Cordel: in Normangate, j acra apud Eylisworthe Wes (*sic*), j triroda apud Biryhay, j di. acra apud Biryhay. In Ham: apud Ouerlangedik' j acra et di. et j roda, et di. iuxta Willelmum Leyr', j roda et di. iuxta Robertum Ort, et due acre iacent in Schortforlong in diuersis locis et j acra apud le Ferye, j acra apud Feryhinggrene, j di. acra iacet iuxta personam ecclesie de Castre iuxta Milnegate et j roda et di. abuttat super le Mor, j di. acra in Denes-mor iuxta Adam de Schelford, j roda et di. iuxta Robertum Godwyne, j acra in Peyseforlong et j roda apud Littilbrigge. In Thornes: j di. acra iuxta Adam de (Welford<sup>o</sup>) Schelford, j di. acra iuxta Robertum March', j di. acra iuxta Simonem Morel, j di. acra iuxta Rogerum filium Willelmi, j roda iuxta Willelmum Godeman, j roda abuttat super Mikelburgate, j di. acra abuttat super Walkotemor, j roda et di. iuxta Thomam Leueron, j di. acra iuxta Walterum Fleshewer, j triroda iuxta terram rectoris de Castre. In Eynyng: j forera super Wodehil et j roda et di. abuttans super eandem, j di. acra iuxta Robertum Ort, j roda iuxta Reginaldum Ort, j di. acra iuxta eundem Reginaldum, j roda et di. iuxta Willelmum Cordel, j roda et di. abuttat super Carton-brok, j roda abuttat super Reginaldum Knyth, j di. acra extendit ultra Marhamgate, j di. acra abuttat super Belasisewode, [f. 133] j di. acra iuxta Robertum Godwyne, j di. acra iuxta Willelmum Godwyne, j forera abuttat super foreram Willelmi Benet, j triroda abuttat super Kirkegate et due acre abuttant super Saltersgate, j acra iuxta Petrum Godwyne et j forera iuxta Saltersgate, j di. acra iuxta Robertum Godwyne, j di. acra prati abuttat super le Ferie iuxta Willelmum Cordel, j di. acra prati inter Willelmum Godman et Willelmum Fleshewer, j di. acra iuxta Thomam Drake, j roda prati iuxta Thomam Leueron, j roda in le Mor iuxta Johannem Bretoun.

Summa: xxvij acre et di. acra terre et ij acre prati.

Robertus Godwyne tenet in Eynyng: j trirodam iuxta Walterum Burgeys, et di. acram iuxta Petrum Burdon, j rodam et di. iuxta Willelmum Hert, j trirodam iuxta Reginaldum Knyt, j di. acram iuxta Walterum Burgeys, j rodam iuxta Galfridum Aslok, j rodam et di. iuxta rectorem ecclesie, j rodam et di. iuxta Sarram Bette, j rodam iuxta Margeriam Ascelyn, j di. acram iuxta Nicholaum Morel, j di. acram iuxta Simonem Hert, j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Fleshewer, j terciam partem (*sic*) iuxta rectorem ecclesie, j rodam et di. iuxta Gilbertum Dyke, j rodam et di. iuxta Thomam Leueron, j rodam iuxta Thomam Asselyn, j rodam iuxta Nicholaum Morel, j trirodam iuxta Rogerum Gange, j rodam iuxta Johannem Morel, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Gange, j di. acram iuxta Johannem Thorold, j rodam iuxta Galfridum Aslok. Thornis:



j trirodam iuxta Simonem Hert, j trirodam iuxta Galfridum Hert, j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Paris, j di. acram iuxta Reginaldum Knyth, j trirodam iuxta Rogerum Hert, j rodam et di. iuxta Gilbertum Dyke, j trirodam iuxta Beatricem Botiller, j di. acram iuxta Simonem Hert, j rodam et di. iuxta Johannem Thorold, j rodam et di. iuxta Robertum Roche, j trirodam iuxta rectorem, j rodam iuxta Gilbertum Dyke, j trirodam iuxta Gilbertum Dyke. Ham: j di. acram iuxta Galfridum Aslok, j acram et di. iuxta Johannem Cordel, j rodam [f. 133<sup>v</sup>] et di. iuxta Beatricem Bretoun, j rodam iuxta Willelmum Parys, j trirodam iuxta Simonem Hert, j rodam iuxta Gilbertum Dyke, j di. acram iuxta rectorem, j di. acram iuxta Willelmum Hert, j di. acram iuxta Thomam Asselyn, j di. acram iuxta Reginaldum Knyth, j trirodam iuxta Rogerum Hert, j trirodam iuxta Johannem Cordel, j rodam et di. iuxta Petrum Burdon. Normangate: j rodam et di. iuxta Petrum Burdon, j di. acram iuxta Johannem Morel, j trirodam iuxta Willelmum Heyr, j rodam et di. iuxta Simonem Hert, j trirodam iuxta Johannem Morel, j di. acram iuxta Thomam Asselyn, j di. rodam iuxta Robertum ad crucem. Pratum: j di. acram in le Mor iuxta Rogerum Hert (j trirodam iuxta Johannem<sup>e</sup>). In Michillangemedue: j rodam iuxta Petrum Burdoun, j rodam iuxta Willelmum Godman, j acram in Michilholm iuxta Johannem Thorold, et j rodam iuxta Petrum Burtoun, j rodam iuxta Willelmum Godman.

Summa: xxviii di. acre terre et ij acre prati.

Ricardus le Reue tenet j acram in le Wodefeld contra le Cley inter terram Ricardi Lauerock ex una parte et terram Willelmi Bunton ex alia, j di. acra iacet inter terram Willelmi Bunton et terram Willelmi Asselyn, j roda et di. iacet inter terram Johannis filii Gilberti de Eylisworth et terram Johannis Hert, j acra iacet iuxta terram Nicholai de Paston quam nuper tenuit de eodem abbate, j di. acra iacet inter terram Rogeri de Eylisworth et terram Johannis de Cauntebr(igge), j di. acra iacet super Norwell hill inter terram Johannis Hert et terram Roberti de Walton, j di. acra iacet super Ernefurlong inter terram Johannis Hert et terram Ade Smyth, j acra et di. iacet super Wodehil inter terram Johannis de Cauntebr(igge) et Ricardi Lauerok, j acra iacet super Mikilwodegate inter terram Johannis de Eylisworthe et Ricardi le Reue, j di. acra iacet inter <terram> Willelmi Asselyn et Ricardi Lauerock, j di. acra iacet inter terram Johannis Hert et Ricardi Lauerock, j di. acra iacet inter terram Willelmi Buntoun [f. 134] et terram Alicie de Cauntebrig', j di. acra iacet atte Upton Brok inter terram Johannis de Eylisworthe ex utraque parte, j acra atte Portisshevell inter terram Johannis de Eylisworthe et Johannis de Cauntebr(igge), j acra atte Coldfurlong inter terram Willelmi Strake et Ricardi de Eston, ij acre in le Croftis inter terram Ricardi le Reue et Hugonis filii Walteri, j acra atte Wilnys inter terram Johannis de Cauntebr(igge) et Ade le Smyth, j di. acra super Kyrke furlong inter terram Galfridi Carter' et Bernardi de Pykkeworth, j triroda atte Upton brok inter terram Willelmi Bounton et Galfridi Cartere, j acra in ye Dole inter terram Johannis filii Gilberti le Reue ex utraque parte, j di. acra iuxta Walmysford weye inter terram Nicholai de Paston et Hugonis filii Walteri, j roda iuxta le Strete iuxta terram Willelmi Waryn, j di. acra et di. roda inter terram Johannis Botiller et Emme de Eylisworthe, j roda et di. inter terram abbatis de Burgo et Ade Smyth, j roda et di. inter terram Johannis Hert et Ade Smyth, j roda et di. inter terram Rogeri filii Gilberti et Willelmi Strake, j acra inter terram Ricardi Lauerock ex utraque parte, j acra super Medueforlong inter terram Hugonis filii Walteri et Ricardi Lauerock, j acra et di. atte Ingewell inter terram Galfridi Cartere et Ricardi Lauerok, j di. acra inter terram Willelmi Waryn et Nicholai de Paston.

Willelmus de Cantebrigg': j di. acra iuxta Johannem de Cauntebrig', j di.

acra iuxta Rogerum de Eylisworth, j triroda iuxta Johannem de Eylisworth, j una (*sic*) acra iuxta Johannem le Reue, j triroda iuxta Ricardum Leuerock, j triroda iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti le Reue, j roda iuxta Matildam Strake, j di. acra iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j acra iuxta Johannem filium Gilberti le Reue, j triroda iuxta Rogerum filium Gilberti, j acra et di. iuxta eundem Rogerum, j acra iuxta Johannem le Reue, j di. acra iuxta dominum, j acra et di. iuxta Willelmum Buntoun, j di. acra iuxta Ricardum Lauerock, j di. [*f. 134<sup>v</sup>*] acra iuxta Willelmum Waryn, j di. acra iuxta Hugonem filium Walteri,<sup>a</sup> j triroda iuxta Johannem de Cauntebrigg', j acra et di. iuxta Adam fabrum, j acra iuxta Ricardum de Eston. Neyirforlong: j triroda iuxta Willelmum Asselyn, j acra iuxta Ricardum Lauerock, j triroda iuxta Johannem de Cauntebrigg', ij acre et j roda iuxta Johannem Hobard, j di. acra iuxta Nicholaum de Paston, j di. acra iuxta dominum, j di. acra iuxta Johannem de Eylisworth, j di. acra iuxta Rogerum de Eylisworth, j di. acra iuxta Adam fabrum, j di. roda iuxta Johannem de Eylisworth. Pratum: j di. acra iuxta Willelmum Buntoun, j di. acra iuxta Nicholaum de Paston, j di. acra iuxta Ricardum Lauerock, j roda iuxta Johannem de Cauntebrig', j acra in Mikilholm iuxta Reginaldum Knyth.

552. Memorandum of land held of the abbot by Agnes widow of Ralph Carlet of Dogsthorpe and after her by Robert son of Ralph Carlet for their lives.<sup>1</sup> c. 1340

[*f. 135*] Memorandum quod Agnes quondam uxor Radulphi Carlet de Dodisthorp tenet ad terminum uite sue, et post mortem predictæ Agnetis Robertus filius predicti Radulphi tenebit ad terminum uite sue, de domino abbate de Burgo istas terras subscriptas per seruicium quo predictus Radulphus Carlet prius tenuit, uidelicet:—in ye Hay iacet j acra inter terram Ricardi filii Hauwisie in le Wro ex parte una et terram Johannis atte Grene ex altera. Item in ye Hay una alia acra iacet inter terram Ricardi filii Alicie<sup>b</sup> in le Wro et terram Johannis Arthorn. Item j di. acra iacet in ye Hay inter terram Roberti Sewale et Johannis atte Grene. Item in Marchewyt iacet una acra inter terram Ricardi Hauisie (?) et terram Alani Dryuer. Item apud Rumpelle due acre et di. iacent simul inter terram Ricardi filii Hauwisie in le Wro ex una parte et regiam uiam ex altera. Item apud Schirhawe iacet j acra inter terram Willelmi Bydale et Johannis Sewale. Item apud Falom iacet j di. acra inter terram Ricardi filii Hawisie in le Wro et terram Ricardi atte Grene. Item apud Schrathawe tres rode inter terram Mabilie Abbot ex utraque parte. Item apud Schrathawe iacet j acra que uocatur Middilacre inter terram Ricardi filii Hawisie in le Wro et terram Johannis Hod. Item apud Waltounweye j acra inter terram Ricardi filii Hauwisie in le Wro ex utraque parte. Item apud Pynkstowe j acra in duabus selionibus, quarum una iacet per<sup>c</sup> foreram ex parte una et terram Willelmi Gere ex altera. Item apud Waltounweye j roda inter (terram) Roberti Sewale et terram Simonis Abbot ex altera. Item apud Mikelmor quatuor butte pro una acra inter terram Johannis Underwode ex parte una et communem pasturam ex altera. Item apud le Mor iacent due acre simul inter terram Willelmi Arthorn [*f. 135<sup>v</sup>*] et terram Roberti Pir'. Item apud Heldrenstobbe j acra et j roda inter terram Roberti Pir' et terram

\* Walteri] Galfridi Walteri MS.

<sup>b</sup> sic, probably for Auicie = Hawisie.

<sup>c</sup> sic, ? for inter.

<sup>1</sup> This document deals with property in the outskirts of Peterborough. It is wedged between no. 551 and its satellite no. 553, and its place in the collection supports a date c. 1340. This is confirmed by the fact that all the names identifiable elsewhere occur in no. 554 (1341–2)—Simon Abbot, William Everard, Robert Sewale, John Underwood, Hawise in le Wro, and Richard her son. Simon Abbot and the Wros occur in glosses to *Carte natiuorum* (20, 88; 17, 21–23, 29, &c.); Richard in le Wro also in nos. 73, 70 (1334, 1339). Robert Sewale occurs also c. 1300 (no. 16) and in 1302/3 (18, 120).

Johannis Arthorn. Item apud Appiltre iacet j acra diuisim, unde j di. acra iacet inter terram Roberti Sewale et terram Willelmi Arthorn, et alia di. acra inter terram Willelmi Euerard et terram Henrici du Lay. Item apud Wronglond iacet j acra inter terram Ricardi filii Alicie<sup>a</sup> in le Wro et terram Simonis Abbot. Item j roda in eadem cultura inter terram Willelmi Bydale ex utraque parte. Item apud Medufurlong j acra inter terram W(illelmi) Bedile et terram Johannis Reue. Item apud Wilnwys iacent due buttis cum pratis iuxta terram Willelmi Pampe pro di. acra. Item in Tynmanmedue iacent j acra et j roda diuisim, unde una di. acra iacet inter pratum Roberti Pyr' et W(illelmi) Bedele, et una roda iacet inter pratum W(illelmi) Bedile ex utraque parte, et di. acra iacet inter pratum W(illelmi) Bedile et pratum Johannis Sewale.

553. Glinton (and Peakirk): the land held by William Griffin.<sup>1</sup>

c. 1340

[f. 136] Glynton: Terra Willelmi Griffyn: una di. acra atte Stretegate iuxta terram Roberti de Lufwyck, j di. acra uersus Peykyrke et abuttat super uiam regiam iuxta Walterum filium Walteri, j di. acra super Manisslant iuxta terram Walteri Westerne, j di. acra atte Forthende iuxta terram Willelmi de Kendale, j roda abuttat super Pol meduis<sup>b</sup> iuxta terram Willelmi atte Kyrkegate, j acra in le Croftis, j acra atte Kyngisbalk, j di. acra abuttat super Norburgate iuxta terram Thome Tubbay, j roda in eodem campo iuxta terram Willelmi de Kendale, j di. acra abuttat super Makesygate iuxta Walterum Westerne, j roda at Makesygate iuxta terram Johannis Pampe, j di. acra in eadem quarentena iuxta Willelmum de Kendale. j roda in le Snype iuxta Willelmum Abbot, j roda in le Snype iuxta Johannem Man, j roda super le Hil iuxta Petrum Wolewyne, j di. acra iuxta molendinum iuxta Ricardum Alian, j di. acra in eodem campo iuxta Radulphum Squyer, j di. acra super le Stapples iuxta rectorem de Peykyrke, j triroda in eodem campo iuxta Walterum Tuk abuttat super Bradegate iuxta Johannem Garswade, j di. acra super le Cley iuxta Willelmum Bretoun, j di. acra abuttat super Bradegate (iuxta) Radulphum Squier, j di. acra ad capud uille de Wodecroft iuxta Johannem Godisson, j di. acra atte Leng' abuttat super Bradegate iuxta Petrum Wolwyne, j di. acra atte Goris iuxta Walterum Tuk, j roda et di. atte Goris iuxta Walterum Fihs, j di. acra in Bonecroft iuxta Petrum Wolwyne, j roda abuttat super foreram Johannis Rowe iuxta Johannem Iurlay, j di. acra atte Crosdikhyrne iuxta Petrum Wolwyne, j di. acra atte Crosdikhyrn iuxta W(illelmum) Bretoun, et j roda in eodem campo abuttat super Capounisheuedlond, j roda in eodem campo iuxta rectorem de Peyk(irke), et j triroda que [f. 136<sup>v</sup>] uocatur Capounisheuedlond iuxta Andrean pistorem, j triroda in eodem campo iuxta Johannem Ionis, et j di. acra in ye Dale iuxta Robertum atte Strete, et j di. acra in ye Dale iuxta Galfridum Pridil, et j acra in ye Dale iuxta Galfridum atte Kyrkeyate.

Peykyrke: j di. acra super le Stapples inter terram Isabelle Ingg' et Andree pistoris, et di. acra abuttat super le Brok inter terram quondam Johannis Chapelyn et terram Willelmi de Lyn, et j roda super Manslant inter terram Roberti atte Strete et Johannis Ionis, et j roda in eadem quarentena inter terram rectoris et terram Johannis Godesson, et j acra in eadem quarentena inter terram Roberti atte Strete et Radulphi Walroun, et j roda super Schortlond inter terram Isabelle Inge et Petrum Wolwene, et j roda in eadem quarentena inter terram Isabelle Inge, et j acra uersus Peykyrk inter terram Radulphi Walroun et terram Walteri filii Walteri, et j di. acra inter Isabellam Ingge et

<sup>a</sup> See p. 213, n. b.

<sup>b</sup> medius MS. (for meadows).

<sup>1</sup> Probably an appendix to, if not originally a part of, no. 551. Most of the names in 553 occur in 551, so that in any case it must be of about the same date.

Willelmum Wolwyne, et j roda inter Isabellam et Johannem Ricard, et j acra et di. atte Hawe stile inter terram Radulphi Walroun, et j di. acra iuxta regiam uiam et Johannem Ionis, et j di. acra inter Johannem Bedile et Johannem Godessone abuttat super Stretegate uersus Peykyrke, et j roda iuxta Petrum Wolwyne abuttat super Stretegate, et j roda iuxta<sup>a</sup> Johannem God(esson) et terram rectoris et abuttat super Stretegate, et j roda iuxta Robertum Pecelyn et Petrum Wolwyne, et j di. acra super Carisdik uersus Peykyrk iuxta terram Johannis de Tame, et j roda in eadem quarentena, et j roda uersus Wellemor iuxta terram Isabelle Ingge, et j di. acra in eadem campo (*sic*) iuxta Walterum Westernne, et j roda in eadem quarentena iuxta terram Johannis Godisson, [*f.* 137] et j di. acra in eadem campo (*sic*) iuxta terram (Johannis Godeson<sup>c</sup>) Henrici filii Alexandri, et j roda in eodem campo iuxta terram Johannis Bedil, et j di. acra iuxta Borugate iuxta terram Johannis Godesone, et j di. acra in eodem campo abuttat super Wytheryngton Howe iuxta Galfridum Ricard, et j di. acra que est forera in eodem campo iuxta Christianam atte Grene, et j di. roda apud Bonecros iuxta terram Johannis Godeson, et j di. acra atte Crosdik iuxta terram Petri Wolwyne, et j di. acra super Witringhowe.

## [XXIII]

554. List of free land held by the villeins of the soke of Boroughury (Peterborough), of which an inquisition was made in 1341-2 by Brother J(ohn) of Achurch, warden of the manors.<sup>1</sup> 1341-2

Libera terra natiuorum de Burghirisokne, unde capta fuit inquisicio anno domini H(enrici) abbatis iiij per fratrem J(ohannem) de Achirch tunc custodem maneriorum.

Memorandum quod Matilda Gere tenet tres acras terre de quibus tres rode iacent in assartis inter terram Willelmi Wryt ex parte una, reddendo annuatim iiij*d.* balliuo domini abbatis; et tres alie rode iacent in ye Wodefeld iuxta terram Johannis Loue ex parte una, reddendo annuatim iiij denarios balliuo domini abbatis; et tres di. acre iacent in le Wodefeld inter terram Henrici Dulay ex parte una et terram Willelmi Base de Carton ex altera, reddendo annuatim vjd. celarario conuentus. Ac eciam predicta Matilda tenet unam acram terre iacentem apud Haukynswong inter terram Radulphi Mason et terram Roberti de Eyebyry, reddendo annuatim jd. capelle Sancte Marie.

Simon Abbot tenet j acram terre iacentem in le Bacfeld inter terram Johannis Goldisborow ex parte una, et abuttat super le Bakdyk in uno capite et in alio capite super terram sacriste Burgi, reddendo annuatim ijd. Ricardo de Croylond.

Simon Gere tenet j acram terre iacentem apud Bethweyt inter terram Ricardi Plummer ex parte una et terram Johannis Rameseye ex altera, reddendo annuatim iiij*d.* Willelmo Undirwode [*f.* 137<sup>a</sup>]. Ac etiam tenet unam di. acram terre iacentem apud Bethweyt inter terram Johannis Rameseye ex una parte et terram Roberti Launcelyn ex altera, reddendo annuatim manerio Burg' iiij*d.* ob.

Ricardus in le Wro de Carton tenet iiij acras terre et prati que fuerunt patris

<sup>a</sup> sic, perhaps for inter.

<sup>1</sup> There survives one compotus of Richard Hunne reeve of the manor of Boroughury from Michaelmas 1333 to Michaelmas 1334. The roll is torn and in bad condition but the following account of rents of assize can be deciphered: '*Redditus assise*: Ricardus Hunne prepositus redd. comp. de viij*li.* xjs. iiij*d.* q. de toto redditu assise in dicto manerio. [Et . . .] de nouo redditu unius acre libere terre quam Rogerus de Stanground tenet. Et de vjd. de nouo redditu [. . .] Deyn et Mabilia uxor eius tenet. Et de jd. de nouo redditu unius acre dimidie prati liberi [. . .] de Simone in le Wro. Summa viij*li.* xjs. xd. q.' The next roll is from 1373-4 (W. T. M.).

sui, quarum una acra iacet apud Appiltre inter terram Roberti Sewale ex parte una, reddendo *iiij*d. elemosinario et *jd.* manerio Burg'; et *j* iacet in Le Hay inter terram Willelmi Hod reddendo annuatim *ijd.* et *jd.* manerio Burg'; et *j* forera<sup>a</sup> iacet pro acra<sup>a</sup> apud croftum de Dodisthorp, reddendo annuatim *jd.* manerio Burg' et *ob.* capelle Sancte Marie; et *j* acra prati iacet in Eggerisle inter terram Johannis Dulay ex parte una, reddendo annuatim *iiij*d. balliuo domini abbatis, *jd.* manerio Burg'. Ac eciam predictus Ricardus tenet duas acras prati et dimidiam iacentes in Eggersle (su)per ye Kerridik, et una di. acra terre iacet apud Andliston forlond medwe, et pro duabus acris et dimidia et pro dimidia acra ipse reddit *vjd.* Johanni du Lay. Ac eciam tenet tres acras iacentes apud Estwodebrigg', pro duabus acris ipse reddit balliuo domini abbatis *viiij*d. et pro alia acra reddit *iiij*d. sacriste Burgi et *ij* horschdon de precio *jd.* Et idem tenet tres dimidias (acras) terre iacentes apud Clouynbalke inter terram elemosinarii de Burgo ex una parte et terram uicarii de Burgo ex altera, reddendo annuatim *vjd.* balliuo domini abbatis. Item tenet tres dimidias acras terre iacentes inter terram Thome de Bery ex una parte et terram predicti Ricardi ex altera, reddendo annuatim *vjd.* balliuo domini abbatis.<sup>b</sup> Item tenet *j* acram terre iacentem inter terram elemosinarii ex una parte, reddendo fabrice ecclesie Sancti Johannis Baptiste *iiij*d. Item tenet unam acram terre iacentem in Bethweyt; tres rode iacent inter terram Agnetis Teyt ex una parte, et una forera iacet pro roda in Bethweyt, [*f.* 138] reddendo *iiij*d. balliuo domini abbatis. Item tenet unam acram iacentem in Ubgatecroft inter terram Thome Poynton ex parte una et terram persone de Paston ex altera, reddendo annuatim *ijd.* ad altare Sancti Johannis Baptiste. Et idem tenet unam di. acram iacentem apud Appiltre inter terram Johannis Undirwode ex parte una, reddendo annuatim *ob.* Johanni atte Brok. Et idem tenet *j* acram terre iacentem apud Paston milne, reddendo annuatim *iiij*d. manerio Burgi et *ob.* ad manerium de Eye. Ac eciam tenet unam rodam et magis, sicut extendit in longitudine et latitudine in le Westfeld iuxta terram Alicie Parlour, reddendo *ob.* Willelmo Euerard in Natiuitate Sancti Johannis Baptiste.

Hauwisia in le Wro tenet duas di. acras terre iacentes apud Andeliston forlongmedue, quarum una iacet iuxta terram Johannis de Walton, et alia iacet iuxta terram Roberti Leche de Paston, reddendo annuatim *jd.* balliuo domini abbatis ad festum Pasche. Ac tenet unam di. acram iacentem apud Cokelyngfurlong iuxta terram Willelmi Euerard, reddendo *jd.* capelle Sancte Marie Burgi. Item tenet *j* di. acram iacentem in Beswyte iuxta terram Willelmi Undirwode, reddendo annuatim *ijd.* Willelmo Lonte in die Sancti Michaelis. Item tenet *j* di. acram terre iacentem apud Bradwong iuxta terram persone de Paston, reddendo *jd.* heredibus Henrici Palmer de Paston et *jd.* manerio Burgi.

Item Ricardus in le Wro tenet *j* di. acram terre iacentem apud Andeliston forlongmedue iuxta terram Agnetis atte Welle.

Willelmus Alred tenet tres di. acras terre iacentes apud Warynsbrog iuxta terram Thome Northfolk, reddendo annuatim *xij*d. balliuo domini abbatis.

Willelmus Pappelle tenet duas acras terre iacentes inter terram Thome Frengre ex parte una et terram Johannis Pappelle ex parte altera, reddendo annuatim thesaurario *viiij*d.

Ricardus filius Ricardi Reue tenet *j* acram terre iacentem apud Hawechace inter terram Johannis Pappelle et terram Roberti Chilioun, reddendo annuatim *vjd.* ad manerium de Burg'. Ac eciam idem Ricardus [*f.* 138<sup>a</sup>] tenet tres di. acras terre iacentes apud Hawechace inter terram dictorum Johannis Pappelle et Roberti Chilioun, reddendo *iiij*d. thesaurario.

<sup>a</sup> forera . . . acra MS., perhaps an error for acra . . . forera. but see una forera iacet pro roda below.

<sup>b</sup> Item tenet tres dimidias acras—abbatis] repeated in MS.

Johannes atte Grene tenet di. acram terre iacentem apud Holdtopmylne inter terram Roberti atte Gre(ne) et terram Ricardi de le Celer, reddendo annuatim ad aulam de Gunthorp *ob*.

Robertus atte Gr(ene) tenet j di. acram terre iacentem apud Holdtopmilne inter terram dicte Johannis Grene et terram Ricardi de le Celer, reddendo annuatim ad aulam de Gunthorp *ob*.

Oliuerus Pappele tenet j acram terre iacentem in assartis inter terram quondam Ricardi Miriden et terram Ricardi Berunger, reddendo annuatim *iiijd*. balliuo abbatis.

Johannes Pappele tenet tres acras terre arabilis simul iacentes apud Hawe-chac' inter terram Willelmi Pappele et terram Ricardi filii Ricardi le Reue, reddendo annuatim pro duabus acris *viiijd*. tesarizario (*sic*) et pro alia acra *jd. ob*. capelle Sancte Marie.

Johannes Poper de Eye tenet j acram terre iacentem apud Newerk Beyche inter terram Agnetis quondam uxoris Ricardi Reue et terram Roberti Curteys, reddendo annuatim *vjd*. balliuo domini abbatis.

(Reginaldus<sup>o</sup>) Willelmus filius Ricardi Reue tenet unam acram terre iacentem apud Carton heggis inter terram Willelmi Lante et terram Willelmi Hode, reddendo annuatim *iiijd*. balliuo domini abbatis.

Reginaldus filius Ricardi Reue tenet j acram terre iacentem apud Andelishounismedue inter terram Ricardi in le Wro et terram dicti Ricardi, reddendo annuatim *jd*. . . .<sup>a</sup> atte Grene.

Willelmus Gere tenet j foreram, duo (*sic*) acre terre Willelmi Writ abutantes super illam, reddendo annuatim manerio Burgi *ob*.

Mabilia Abbot tenet tres di. acras prati iacentes in Eggerisle inter pratum celarii (*sic*) ex una parte et pratum domini abbatis ex altera, reddendo annuatim balliuo domini abbatis *vjd*. Ac eciam tenet j rodum terre iacentem apud Schraithawe inter terram Ricardi in le Wro ex parte una et terram Bydele ex altera, reddendo annuatim ad ecclesiam Sancti Johannis Baptiste *ob*.

## [XXIV]

555. List of tenants in the virgate (in Irtlingborough)<sup>1</sup> once held by Simon son of Henry Clerk. ? c. 1300

[f. 139] Nomina <eorum> qui tenent illam uirgatam terre quod (*sic*) Simon filius Henrici clerici quondam tenuit.

In primis Johannes Campioun tenet *iiij* acras terre et prati et j rodum, quarum *iiij* acre et j roda iacent apud Whiston et ex transuerso Thyndenweye, v rode apud le Wyndmilne; di. acram prati in Westhaycroft; et di. acram prati in Estmersch iuxta Nicholaum de Adyngton. Thomas de Miride tenet *iiij* acras terre et j rodum, quarum una acra iacet apud Grenhowe, j acra apud Bhulfyt, j acra apud Briggedelf et j roda apud Browesdale. Willelmus Colleson tenet *iiij* acras et j rodum terre, quarum v rode iacent apud le Hangendehyl et Cnytelond et ij acre iacent apud le Feryngrene. Thomas filius Henrici tenet *viiij* acras et di. prati et pasture et terre, quarum ij acre et di. iacent super Feteldele, vij rode apud Galmesdich, *iiij* rode super Gerhowe, *iiij* acre pasture in le Milnedich, et di. acra prati in Uluesdele. Robertus Hardi tenet j di. acram super Bleshowe. Rogerus Houton tenet di. acram ibidem. Alicia Whithed j acram iacentem apud Clerkwell et Lyrtepok. Radulphus Lor' tenet

\* Space left in MS.

<sup>1</sup> The place is not mentioned; but several of the field names—Burslade, Gerhowe, Estmersch—occur in Irtlingborough (above, nos. 382, 387, 392, 520); Stanwick is adjacent to it; and we know that Simon son of Henry had a windmill there (no. 389).

j acram apud Berensdale et apud le Middelstweye. Margeria Perkyn tenet j di. acram apud Bursclade. Alicia Giddinge tenet j acram apud Burslade et Freskewelle. Thomas Pedoun de Stanewygge tenet v rodas prati in Estmersch. Christiana Radeburne tenet di. acram terre super Thornhul. Johannes Whitelok tenet di. acram in Heggewelle. Henricus Baker, Johannes Ballard et Johannes Fischer tenent j acram terre in Thert fornes. Alicia Milner tenet di. acram super Gerhowe.

*Date.* Simon son of Henry probably sold his windmill in 1289 (no. 389); this document is presumably some years later than that. The date c. 1300 is thus very approximate.

# [XXV]

556. Grant by Robert son of Stephen of Warmington to Alice daughter of William Ketel of Elton (Hunts.). living in Warmington, for her life, and to Alice her younger daughter, her heirs and assigns, of 1 messuage in Warmington in *le Abbotisthorp*, between the messuage of John Renkot on the east and the messuage once Reginald Alyday's on the west, abutting on the tenement of Henry Tilli to the north and on the royal road at the other end; and all the rent in Warmington and outside pertaining to the messuage—2d. from Richard Cainhoe in Warmington for 1 messuage, 1d. from John Frost for 2 selions towards *Brakslade*, 1d. from Thomas Maydegod of Tansor for 2 roods at *Prestoneslade*, ½d. from Ralph of Thorney for ¼ acre on *Efurlong* by the land of Henry Bulby, 2d. from Alice daughter of Baldwin for 1 messuage between the messuages of Richard Cainhoe and Henry his brother on the east, a new pair of gloves from Henry Balde for 1 messuage between the messuages of Alice his sister and Walter Pleyour on the east; to be held of the chief lord for the services due.

16 April 1316

[f. 139<sup>v</sup>] Sciant presentes et futuri quod ego Robertus filius Stephani de Werm(ington) dedi, concessi et hac presenti carta mea confirmaui Alicie filie Willelmi Ketel de Alington in eadem, ad terminum uite sue, et Alicie filie predictae Alicie iuniori et heredibus et assignatis predictae filie, unum messuagium in Werm(ington) in *le Abbotisthorp*, iacens inter mesuagium Johannis Renkot ex parte orientali et mesuagium quondam Reginaldi Alyday ex parte occidentali, et unum capud abuttat super tenementum Henrici Tilli uersus borealem et aliud capud super uiam regiam, et totum redditum in Wermington et extra quod pertinet ad predictum mesuagium, uidelicet de Ricardo Cayho in Wermington ijd. ad festum Sancti Petri ad uincula pro uno mesuagio quod tenet; de Johanne Frost jd. ad idem festum pro ij selionibus iacentibus uersus *Brakslade*; de Thoma Maydegod de Tansouer jd. ad idem festum pro ij rodas ad *Prestoneslade*, de Radulpho de Thorneye j ob. pro j di. acra super *Efurlong* (sic) iuxta terram Henrici Bulby ad idem festum; de Alicia filia Baldewini ijd. ad idem festum pro j mesuagio inter mesuagium Ricardi Caynho et mesuagium Henrici fratris sui ex parte orientali; de Henrico Balde j par cerotecarum nouarum in die Pasche pro j mesuagio iacente inter mesuagium Alicie sororis sue et mesuagium Walteri Pleyour ex parte orientali; habendum et tenendum predictum mesuagium cum predicto redditu, simul cum omnibus suis pertinenciis, predictae Alicie filie Willelmi predicti ad terminum uite sue, et Alicie predictae filie sue et heredibus et assignatis suis, de capitali domino feodi illius<sup>a</sup> et cuicumque aut quandocumque seu ubicumque illud dare, uendere, legare uel assignare uoluerit, post mortem matris sue, libere, quiete, bene et in pace et hereditarie in perpetuum; et faciendo inde singulis annis capitali domino feodi illius seruicia debita et consueta, que ad predictum mesuagium pertine(n)t pro omnibus seruiciis secularibus et demandis. Et ego predictus Robertus et heredes mei predictum mesuagium cum redditu predicto simul cum omnibus suis pertinenciis predictis Alicie filie Willelmi Ketel ad terminum uite sue, et Alicie filie predictae Alicie et heredibus et assignatis

<sup>a</sup> de—illius] sic MS. These words must be out of place: they belong either before predictae Alicie or after in perpetuum.

suis, contra omnes gentes [f. 140] warantizabimus et defendemus in perpetuum, per predictum seruicium. Et (ut) hec mea donacio et presentis carte mee confirmacio rata sit (et) stabilis, huic presenti scripto sigillum meum apposui.<sup>a</sup> Hiis testibus: Radulpho (de) Thorneye, Henrico filio Ade, Henrico Tilli, Henrico Aubry, Ricardo Caker, Gilberto Priccele, Johanne Frost, Johanne Spice et aliis. Data apud Wermynghon xvj Kalendas Maii anno regni regis Ed(wardi) filii regis Ed(wardi) nono.

## [XXVI]

557. Valuation of cereals due to be sent to the abbey, made at Michaelmas, 1344 (?).<sup>1</sup>  
1344

Estimacio bladi mittendi in abbatiam, facta in festo Sancti Michaelis anno sexto finiente.

*Wermington*: in tribus meys di. iiij<sup>xx</sup> qr. frumenti; in iij meys viij<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde; item xx qr. auenarum et xxx qr. pisarum: summa, xiiij<sup>xx</sup> x qr.

*Asshton*: in j meya xl qr. frumenti; in j meya l qr. orde; xx qr. auenarum; et v qr. pisarum: summa, v<sup>xx</sup> xv qr.

*Undele*: in iij meys l qr. frumenti; in ij meys di. v<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde et v qr. pisarum: summa, vij<sup>xx</sup> xv qr.

*Bigg(in)*: in iij meys di. vij<sup>xx</sup> qr. frumenti, ij meys viij<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde, xl qr. auenarum: summa, xvij<sup>xx</sup> qr.

*Stanewyg*: xl qr. frumenti, xvj qr. (orde (?)) et xl qr. drageti: summa, iiij<sup>xx</sup> xvj qr.

*Irtelngb(urgh)*: xx qr. frumenti, v<sup>xx</sup> orde, xx qr. pisarum: summa, vij<sup>xx</sup> qr.

*Ketering*: in ij meys i cantel vj<sup>xx</sup> qr. siliginis, lxx qr. orde, lx qr. auenarum: summa, xii<sup>xx</sup> x qr.

*Cotyngham*: in ij meys iiij<sup>xx</sup> qr. frumenti, in ii meys v<sup>xx</sup> x qr. orde, xx qr. drageti, xl qr. auenarum: summa, xij<sup>xx</sup> qr.

*Eston*: in iij meys vj<sup>xx</sup> qr. frumenti, in iij meys vj<sup>xxx</sup> qr. orde, xxx qr. drageti, xl qr. auenarum et x qr. pisarum: summa, xvj<sup>xx</sup> x qr.

*Tynewell*: xxx qr. frumenti, v<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde, xl qr. drageti, l qr. auenarum, viij qr. pisarum albarum, et xij qr. pisarum nigrarum: summa xij<sup>xx</sup> qr.

[f. 140<sup>v</sup>] *Glyntone*: xl qr. frumenti, v<sup>xx</sup> orde, iiij<sup>xx</sup> qr. drageti, xx qr. pisarum: summa, xij<sup>xx</sup> qr.

*Wytherinton*: l qr. frumenti in j meya di., in iij meys vj<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde, et l qr. drageti, et vj qr. pisarum: summa, vj<sup>xx</sup> vj qr. (sic).

*Walton*: in ij meys lx qr. frumenti, in j meya et di. v<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde, in j meya l qr. drageti, xxx qr. auenarum, x qr. pisarum: summa, xij<sup>xx</sup> x qr.

*Thorp*: in j meya di. lx qr. frumenti, in ij meys vij<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde, in j meya lx qr. drageti et xv qr. pisarum: summa, xiiij<sup>xx</sup> xv qr.

*Castre*: in j meya preter unum angulum xl qr. frumenti, in ij meys vij<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde, in j meya lx qr. drageti, xx qr. pisarum: summa, xiiij<sup>xx</sup> qr.

*Burgbur*: v<sup>xx</sup> qr. frumenti, xxxj<sup>xx</sup> qr. orde et drageti de noua grangia plena, xx qr. pisarum, xxx qr. auenarum: summa, xxxvij<sup>xx</sup> x qr.

<sup>a</sup> appōi MS., perhaps for apponi feci.

<sup>1</sup> 'anno sexto finiente' must refer to the regnal year of an abbot (possibly, but improbably of a king; for this method of dating at Peterborough. cf. Morton. *passim*). From its place in the MS., Abbot Henry of Morcote's time seems likely. His sixth year ran from December 1343 to December 1344, and 1344 fits nicely into the chronology of these documents; but this and the next document belong to the era of high farming, which was on its way out by 1344, and they may both be considerably earlier.

Meya = meia, a mow(ing), or stack or division of a barn; cantel = cantle, measure of food. The stock described includes wheat (frumentum), barley (ordeum), oats (aue), dredge-corn (dragetum), rye (siligo), and peas (pise).



*Makesey*: xl qr. frumenti, lx qr. ordeï, xl qr. drageti, xxv qr. auenarum, xvii j qr. pisarum: summa, ix<sup>xx</sup> iij qr.

*Eye*: iij<sup>xx</sup> qr. frumenti, x<sup>xx</sup> qr. ordeï, v<sup>xx</sup> x qr. auenarum, xx qr. pisarum: summa, xx<sup>xx</sup> x qr.

Summa frumenti: m lx qr. secundum istum rotulum.

Summa ordeï: mm iij<sup>e</sup> vj qr.

Summa drageti: iij<sup>e</sup> lxx qr.

Summa auenarum: iij<sup>e</sup> lx v qr.

Summa pisarum: ccx qr.

} summa utriusque mm viij<sup>e</sup> lxxvj.

} summa utriusque vj<sup>e</sup> lxx.

### [XXVII]

558. The duties of the beadle of Boroughbury (Peterborough).

[*f. 141*] Officiu Bedelli de Burgbyry.

Bedellus debet ordinare de operibus de Burbiry sokene ad utilitatem domini, et computare de eisdem, et uendere secundum diuersitatem anni ea que non expendantur, scilicet unum opus in yeme pro obolo et in estate uidelicet a festo apostolorum Petri et Pauli usque festum Sancti Michaelis pro uno denario, et respondere preposito de argento. Item debet ordinare cum preposito et haywardo de cons(uetis) arruris bondorum, et eos somonire ad illas cons(uetudines) faciendas et mensurare porciones singulorum arrancium. Item debet recipere opera de maneriis et superuidere ea quod bene fiant, ut in bosco colpando per uisum balliui uel magistri sui, et fagotis faciendis et cariandis et turbis cariandis, et eciam ordinare cariagium pro carectis maneriorum de Nasso, ut in bladis et focali et aliis necessariis cariandis in abbaciam, et talliare tam contra prepositum cuiuslibet manerii quam contra focarium. Item debet superuidere omnes boscus de Nasso quod nullus [*f. 141<sup>v</sup>*] sit defectus, et ordinare de tempore fagotandi tam de subbosco quam ramillis<sup>1</sup> prout necesse fuerit in abbacia. Item debet superuidere falcatores tocus prati abbacie et leuantes fenum, et esse ibidem ad excitandum eos quousque perfecerint, et mensurare pratum uendendum, et respondere de argento. Item debet esse ultra messorum les Daywyns, et esse cum cariantibus bladum donec totum bladum carietur. Item debet in absencia balliui superuidere granarium in abbacia et le wodeyerd, et prouidere quod nullus sit defectus in aliquo et si sit debet premunire prepositos, et ordinare cariagium tam extra Nassum quam infra. Item debet esse ad omnia inparcamenta capienda in omnibus mariscis, et somonire omnes qui ibidem debent interesse. Item debet somonire omnes curias et hallemota in Nasso et presentare omnes defectus quos inuenerit in supradictis operibus uel consuetudinibus ad utilitatem domini non expeditis, sub pena grauis amerciamenti. Item idem percipiet singulis xj ebdomadis per annum j quarterium frumenti et pro stipendio dimidiam marcam.

### [XXVIII]

559. Grant by Geoffrey of Stanwick, chamberlain, to William, glove-maker, son of Roger Kemp of *Cotis*,<sup>2</sup> for his service and for 9 marks sterling, of 4 acres and 1 rood in Stanwick—2 acres in the field towards Raunds on *Longebichehil* by the land of the lord of Ashton (?)—2 acres and 1 rood in the other field in *Musdale* by the land which Robert son of Erchebaud held; to be held of himself and his heirs and assigns, religious houses excepted, for an annual rent of 4d. for all services, &c. save forinsec service.

<sup>1</sup> Undergrowth or brushwood and loppings.

<sup>2</sup> Probably Cotes or Cotton in Raunds and Ringstead, adjacent to Stanwick; the name survives in Cotton Camp in Raunds (*P.N. Northants.*, pp. 194-5).

*Stanewygg'*: Sciant etc. quod ego Galfridus de Stanewygg camerarius dedi etc. Willelmo cerotecario filio Rogeri Kempe de Cotis pro seruicio suo et pro nouem marcis sterlingorum quas etc., quatuor acras et unam rodam terre mee arabilis in campis de Stanewygg, scilicet in campo uersus Randis super Longebichehil (?) duas acras iacentes (iuxta) terram domini de Asston; in alio campo duas acras et unam rodam in Musdale iacentes iuxta terram quam Robertus filius Erchebaud tenuit; habendas et tenendas de me et heredibus meis sibi et heredibus suis uel suis assignatis uel cuicumque et quodcumque illam terram dare, uendere, legare uel assignare uoluerit excepta domo religionis, libere, quiete, [f. 142] bene et in pace iure hereditario; reddendo inde annuatim michi et heredibus meis ille et heredes sui uel sui assignati iiij denarios ad quatuor terminos anni, uidelicet ad festum Sancti Michaelis unum denarium, ad Natale Domini unum denarium, ad Pascha unum denarium, ad Natiuitatem Sancti Johannis Baptiste unum denarium, pro omnimodis secularibus seruiciis, sectis curie, exaccionibus, consuetudinibus et demandis, saluo forinseco seruicio pertinente ad tantum tenementum eiusdem feodi. Ego uero dictus Galfridus et heredes mei dictam terram dicto Willelmo, heredibus suis et assignatis, warrantizabimus etc. Hiis testibus etc. Sine data.

## [XXIX]

560. Inquisition made in 1346-7 by oath of the whole vill of Tinwell and Ingthorpe (Rutland) on the holding (in Stamford) which Richard atte Cross once held—now held by his son Robert—of the abbot, and the abbot of the prioress of Stamford (cf. nos. 390, 411a). 1346-7

[f. 142'] Inquisicio capta per sacramentum tocius uillate de Tynewell et Ingthorp de tenemento quod Ricardus ad crucem quondam tenuit de abbate, et abbas de priorissa Staunford', anno regni regis Ed(wardi) tercii post conquestum xx, qui dicunt per sacramentum suum quod predictus Ricardus tenuit xvij acras terre et prati que iacent isto modo. Robertus filius Ricardi ad crucem de Ingthorp tenet xvj acras et di. terre arabilis in campo occidentali Staunford' sicut iacent per perticulas, ut patet inferius; et una acra et di. prati sicut iacet per perticulas in pratis eiusdem uille, ut patet inferius—quarum una di. acra iacet apud le Frerehegge in campo occidentali Staunford' inter terram domini abbatis de Swynesheued ex parte occidentali et terram Willelmi Raulyn de Ingthorp ex parte orientali, et abuttat super uiam regiam uersus boriā; et j acra iacet in eodem campo inter terram Ricardi Alkoch ex parte boriali et terram Walteri Appethorp ex parte australi, et abuttat super terram eiusdem Roberti uersus orientem; et ij acre simul iacent inter terram domini prioris de Sempyngham ex parte boriali et terram Nicholai de Eston ex parte australi, et abuttat super Ketendale uersus orientem; et ij acre simul iacent iuxta terram Walteri Appethorp ex parte boriali et terram Henrici Langete ex parte australi, et abuttat super terram Johannis atte Castelyate uersus occidentem; et j di. acra iacet apud Doggeplot et abuttat super terram domini rectoris ecclesie Sancti Petri in Staunford' uersus occidentem; et j di. acra que uocatur Wythalfacr' iuxta terram Galfridi de Ryngesdon ex parte boriali, et abuttat super terram Johannis de Grofham uersus orientem; et j di. acra iacet iuxta uiam regiam qua itur apud Empyngham ex parte boriali; et j di. acra iacet ultra eandem uiam regiam et abuttat super campum de Tynewell uersus austrum; et j di. acra iacet inter terram Ricardi Alkock ex una parte et terram Nicholai de Eston ex altera, et abuttat super le Estfeld de Tynewell uersus austrum; et j di. acra iacet qwensty (*sic*) et iuxta terram Ricardi Alkock ex parte orientali, et abuttat super le Estfeld de Tynewell uersus austrum; et

j acra iacet in Lytteldale iuxta terram domini comitis le (*sic*) Wareyn<sup>1</sup> ex parte boriali et abuttat super terram Roberti le Purter uersus orientem; et j acra iacet in Litteldale iuxta terram Roberti Purter ex parte occidentali et abuttat super uiam regiam uersus boriam; et j roda iacet ultra uiam regiam qua itur apud Empyngham inter terram Thome Werchep ex utraque parte, et abuttat super terram Johannis Cokerel uersus austrum; et j roda iacet iuxta eandem uiam ex parte australi, et abuttat super terram domini rectoris [*f.* 143] ecclesie Sancti Petri uersus orientem; et una di. acra iacet apud Kynggehowe iuxta terram Willelmi Beufinz (?) ex parte orientali, et abuttat super terram Johannis de Ryppis uersus boriam; et una di. acra iacet apud Tynnewell Lyngis iuxta terram Willelmi Appethorp ex utraque parte, et abuttat super Tynnewell Lynges uersus occidentem; et j di. acra apud le Trein Cros ultra uiam regiam qua itur apud Empyngham, et abuttat super le Grene dick uersus orientem; et j di. acra iacet iuxta terram Agnetis Brond ex parte orientali, et abuttat super le Grene dick uersus boriam; et j di. acra iacet iuxta terram domini rectoris ecclesie Sancte Marie de Bynewerck<sup>a</sup> ex parte orientali, et abuttat super Grededick uersus boriam; et j acra iacet iuxta terram Ricardi Hawise ex parte orientali, et abuttat super le Grededick uersus boriam; et j acra iacet iuxta terram Walteri Appethorp ex parte orientali, et abuttat super le Grededick uersus boriam; et j di. acra iacet iuxta terram Thome Raule ex parte australi et abuttat super terram Thome Werchep uersus orientem; et j (di. (?))<sup>b</sup> acra prati iacet in Estholm iuxta pratum Agnetis Brond ex una parte uersus orientem; et j di. acra prati in Brodyngg iuxta pratum Agnetis Brond ex parte orientali; et j di. acra iacet iuxta le Wetewong, et abuttat super uiam regiam qua itur apud Empyngham.

De ista terra supradicta alienantur per Ricardum atte Cros patrem predicti Roberti una acra et una roda per modum qui sequitur.

Una roda ultra uiam regiam uersus Empyngham: memorandum quod Ricardus atte Cros natiuus domini dedit eandem terram Johanni Friseby; post cuius mortem Cecilia uxor eius tenuit illam terram, et Cecilia dedit Willelmo de Makeseye qui illam Ceciliam duxit in uxorem, et idem Willelmus dedit Johanni de Thrampton; idem Johannes dedit Willelmo de Schilyngton et ille Willelmus dedit Thome Wershipe qui nunc (?) tenet.

Dimidia acra super Grededick iuxta Agnetem Brond de qua Ricardus atte Cros feoffauit Johannem Wynd; idem Johannes Johannem<sup>c</sup> de Appetorp; idem Johannes Walterum de Egilton; Isabella que fuit uxor eius tenens, quam Johannes Aspelend duxit in uxorem.

Dimidia acra iacens apud Tynnewell Lynges, uidelicet ad furcas,<sup>2</sup> de qua Ricardus atte Cros feoffauit Johannem Kokerel. Johannes Kokerel escambiau dictam terram pro una placea in Colgate cum Willelmo de Appethorp, qui tenet dictam dimidiam acram terre.

(Summa ij acre, j roda<sup>1</sup>.)

### [XXX]

561. Memorandum that Richard of Brightwell surrendered to the abbot in 1346-7 one cottage with 3 acres pertaining to it in Bringhurst (Leics.), which he had held at will (parcels described); and that the holding was demised to Richard of Bringhurst, abbot's villein and reeve of the manor, for a rent of 5s.—it had paid no rent hitherto. 1346-7

<sup>a</sup> Dynewerck MS. (*the church is St. Mary's Benniwerk in Stamford*).  
(*above*, p. 221) should be 2 acres of meadow, not 1½, and the combined total 18½ acres not 18.

<sup>c</sup> Johanni MS.

<sup>b</sup> Or the total

<sup>1</sup> The earl de Warenne: i.e. John de Warenne, earl of Surrey. His family died out with his death on 30 June 1347, very soon after this inquest.

<sup>2</sup> Cf. no. 356.

[*f. 143<sup>v</sup>*] *Eston*<sup>1</sup>: Memorandum quod Ricardus de Brightwell reddidit in manum domini, anno regni regis E(dwardi) tercii post conquestum xx, unum cotagium in Bringhirst quod prius tenuit ad uoluntatem domini in eadem, et tres acras terre eidem cotagio adiacentes. Et predictum cotagium iacet iuxta mesuagium Willelmi de Morcote; et dimidia acra terre iacet in le Briggefild inter terram Ricardi Bondesson de Bringhirst ex parte una et uiam regiam que dicitur Westgate ex altera; et dimidia acra iacet in eodem campo inter terram Ricardi de Brightwell ex parte una et terram Simonis de Norwyco ex parte altera; et dimidia acra iacet in le Moorfeld inter terram predicti Ricardi de Brightwell et terram Ricardi de Brynghirst; et j roda iacet apud Fyuerodesty in eodem campo inter terram Ricardi de Bringhirst et terram Rogeri Margrete; et una roda iacet apud Mikelacr' in eodem campo inter terram Willelmi de Morcote et terram Ricardi Bondesson; et dimidia acra iacet in campo occidentali inter terram Willelmi Lunte et Alicie filie Ranulphi; et dimidia acra iacet apud Middelfurlong in eodem campo inter terram Ricardi Bonde et terram Rogeri Margrete. Istud cotagium cum terra predicta fuit dimissa anno supradicto Ricardo de Bringhirst nativo domini et preposito manerii, reddendo per annum vs. de nouo redditu, quoniam nullum redditum reddiderunt perante. [*ff. 144-7 blank.*]<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> But see above, p. xxiii, n.

<sup>1</sup> Great Easton (Leics.) near Bringhurst (cf. P, pp. 134-5 and nn.); the properties may have been administered together.

## APPENDIX I

### THE ABBOTS OF PETERBOROUGH, 1155-1361

THIS is a skeleton list of the dates of election and death of the abbots named in this volume; further details, such as the return of temporalities, are not given, but they can usually be found, where known, from the references cited. The dates are given throughout as for a year beginning 1 January.

The obits are cited from L. Of other Peterborough calendars with obits, we have only been able to consult Bodl. MS. Barlow 22 (also fourteenth century), whose obits often diverge by a few days from L. It is clear that the evidence of these calendars is not a reliable guide for the precise day of death; but L's dates have been recorded as a useful check on other data. The calendar in L was printed by C. Wordsworth, *Archaeologia*, li (1888), 29-40. For information on Peterborough calendars we are indebted to the kindness of Professor Francis Wormald.

(The entries in the chronicle printed by Sparke in *Hist. Anglicanae Script. varii*, repr. by J. A. Giles in 1845, are of little value, and add only errors to the information of the other local chroniclers.)

WILLIAM DE WATERVILLE, 1155-75

Accession, ChP, p. 2; deposition, ChP, p. 4 (30 Oct. according to Ralph de Diceto, ed. Stubbs, i. 402, 27 Sept. according to Gervase of Canterbury, ed. Stubbs, i. 256—possibly different stages in the process). His obit was kept on 30 Nov. (L), but the year is unknown. The vacancy lasted from 1175 to 1177 (*Pipe Roll*, 23 Henry II, p. 104).

BENEDICT, 1177-93

Elected 18 May (*Gesta Henrici Secundi*, ed. Stubbs, i. 166, cf. pp. li ff.; cf. also Gervase, i. 262, S, p. 94, ChP, p. 4, &c.). Died 25 Sept. (L) or 29 Sept. (S) 1193 (S, p. 103; 1194, ChP, p. 5).

ANDREW, 1194 (?)—1199

Accession, ChP, p. 5, but see above; S, p. 103 gives 1193. Died 21 Feb. (L) 1199 (S, p. 104, ChP, p. 5, Ann. of Winchester, *Ann. Monastici*, ed. Luard, ii. 71).

AKARIUS (ACHARIUS), 1200-10

Elected Mar. 1200 (Ann. of Winchester, p. 73; cf. Roger of Hoveden, ed. Stubbs, iv. 116, S, p. 106, ChP, p. 5). Died 12 Mar. (L) or 14 Mar. (S) 1210 (S, p. 107, ChP, p. 6, Ann. of Tewkesbury, *Ann. Monastici*, i. 59, Walter of Coventry, ed. Stubbs, ii. 201).

ROBERT OF LINDSEY, 1214-22

Election, S, p. 107, ChP, p. 7, cf. *Rot. Litterarum Patentium* (Record Commission, 1835), p. 109. Died 25 Oct. (S) 1222 (S, p. 114, ChP, p. 8, CPR, 1216-25, pp. 342, 349. The Ann. of Dunstable, *Ann. Monastici*, iii. 40, 76, give 1213, 1221 for 1214, 1222).

ALEXANDER OF HOLDERNESS, 1222-6

Election, between 30 Oct. and 10 Nov. 1222 (CPR, 1216-25, p. 351; cf. S, p. 115). Died 15 Nov. (S, ChP) or 17 Nov. (L) 1226 (S, p. 116, ChP, p. 9, cf. CPR, 1225-32, pp. 92, 93, Ann. of Dunstable, p. 100).

MARTIN OF RAMSEY, 1226-33

Elected 2 Dec. (S, p. 116, ChP, p. 9; cf. CPR, 1225-32, p. 95). Died 23 June (ChP, p. 13) or 26 June (L; cf. CPR, 1232-47, p. 19) 1233 (S, p. 116).

WALTER OF ST. EDMUND, 1233-45

Elected between 30 June and 8 July (CPR, 1232-47, pp. 19, 20) 1233 (S, p. 117, ChP, p. 13). Died on 22 Dec. (Matt. Paris, *Chron. maiora*, ed. Luard, iv. 502, cf. p. 415), 23 Dec. (ChP, p. 15), or 26 Dec. (L) 1245 (S, p. 121, cf. CPR, 1232-47, p. 469).

WILLIAM DE HOTOT (HOCOT), 1246-9

Elected 6 Feb. (S, p. 125, but cf. CPR, 1232-47, p. 470, which dates the royal assent to 17 Jan.) 1246 (also ChP, p. 15; cf. *Rotuli Roberti Grosseteste*, ed. F. N. Davis

(Lincoln Rec. Soc., 1914), p. 225, and above no. 545). Resigned 6 Dec. (S, p. 128, ChP, p. 15), 1249 (cf. Matt. Paris, *Chron. maiora*, v. 84, CPR, 1247–58, p. 56).

JOHN DE CAUX, 1250–63

Possibly elected 1249, but the licence to elect was only given on 27 Dec. (CPR *ut supra*), and so the date 1249 (which presumably means before Christmas 1249) given by the Ann. of Winchester and T. Wykes (*Ann. Monastici*, ii. 91, iv. 98) must be an error. S, p. 128, gives 1249, probably meaning 1249/50. The royal assent was given on 15 Jan. (CPR, 1247–58, p. 58); 1250 is the year in ChP, p. 15 and Ann. of Tewkesbury, *Ann. Monastici*, i. 140. He died 3 Mar. (S, p. 132, ChP, pp. 16–17), 1263 (CPR, 1258–66, p. 251; Ann. of Dunstable and Winchester (*Ann. Monastici*, iii. 220, ii. 100) and S give 1262, but see above).

ROBERT OF SUTTON, 1263–74

Elected 16 Mar. (S, pp. 132–3 gives 46 Henry III, i.e. 1262; but see above and ChP, p. 17; *Rot. Ricardi Gravesend*, ed. F. N. Davis, 1925, p. 102). He died 11 Mar. (ChP, p. 20) or 16 Mar. (S, p. 143) 1274 (cf. CPR, 1272–81, p. 45).

RICHARD OF LONDON, 1274–95

Elected on 9 Apr. (S, p. 145, ChP, p. 20) or 16 Apr. (*Rot. Ricardi Gravesende*, p. 122) 1274 (cf. CPR, 1272–81, pp. 46–47). Died 16 Aug. (S, p. 150) 1295 (CPR, 1292–1301, p. 143).

WILLIAM OF WOODFORD, 1295–99

Elected 27 or 29 Aug. (S, p. 151 dates it to the feast of the Decollation of St. John Baptist, i.e. 29 Aug., but calls it a Saturday, whereas 29 Aug. was a Monday in 1295). The royal assent and episcopal confirmation came in Sept. 1295 (CPR, 1292–1301, p. 146, *Rolls . . . of Bishop Oliver Sutton*, ed. R. M. T. Hill, ii (1950), 131–2). Died 25 Sept. 1299 (S, p. 153, cf. CPR, 1292–1301, p. 440).

GODFREY OF CROWLAND, 1299–1321

Elected 7 Oct. 1299 (S, p. 153, cf. CPR, 1292–1301, p. 451, *Rolls . . . of Oliver Sutton*, ii. 165). Died 21 Aug. 1321 (S, pp. 116, 217, cf. CPR, 1321–4, p. 22).

ADAM OF BOOTHBY, 1321–38

Elected 7 Sept. 1321 (S, pp. 217–18, cf. VI, f. 48, CPR, 1321–4, p. 26). Died 25 Nov. 1338 (S, p. 232, cf. CPR, 1338–40, p. 169).

HENRY OF MORCOTT, 1338–53

Elected 8 Dec. 1338 (S, p. 234), but the election was quashed (presumably on a technicality), and the right to appoint passed to the bishop, who was overseas; in the event his vicar-general appointed Morcott, and the king returned the temporalities on 16 Jan. 1339 (CPR, 1338–40, p. 175). Died in 1353 (CPR, 1350–4, p. 469).

ROBERT OF RAMSEY, 1353–61

Elected June 1353 (*ibid.*, p. 470); died 1361 (CPR, 1361–4, p. 54).

## APPENDIX II

### THE STEWARDS OF PETERBOROUGH, c. 1177-1330

THE steward or seneschal (*senescallus*) was the leading lay official in the administration of the abbey's properties. He was usually a layman, often one of the abbey knights, who would lead the abbot's contingent to war (cf. nos. 6, 10, below); but two of the men given below were secular clerks (nos. 4, 12).

This list is not the outcome of an exhaustive search of the material, particularly for the later part of the period. It is partly based on a 14th-century list in Q (final leaf, not foliated), to which later additions have been made. This includes the following names in our list, in this order (additions to the original text in Q are given in brackets): 2, 4, (3), 6, (5), 7, (8), (9), 11, 12, (13), 16, (14), 17. Its unsupported testimony is not of great value, and names for which other evidence has not been found are given below in italics.

1. BARTHOLOMEW OF MIDDLETON (or Milton) and RICHARD OF WESTON occur 1177-91 (nos. 498, 513); there is no way of deciding which held the office first.
2. STEPHEN OF MARHOLM, in the time of Abbot Benedict (1177-93, Q). There seems to be no further evidence of this, but he witnessed, without title, nos. 515 (1190-3), 501, and 507 (1194-9). In the Michaelmas Term of 1194 Hugh de Waterville of Marholm claimed to be hereditary steward (*Rotuli Curiae Regis*, i. 24; P, p. 45 n.). He surrendered his claim, for a consideration, which seems to indicate that one or more of his predecessors had held the office, and Abbot Andrew appointed Hugh's son-in-law.
3. GILBERT OF BARNACK in 1194 or 1195 (he occurs (as G.) on 3 May 1195, Pc, f. 124v; 1196, *Curia Regis Rolls*, i. 19; 1194-9, nos. 503-4); he was still alive after 1200 (P, p. 124 n.).
4. MASTER GEOFFREY GIBEWIN (evidently one of the abbot's clerks) acted for the abbot, presumably as steward, in 1202 and 1203 (*Earliest Northants. Assize Rolls*, ed. D. M. Stenton, nos. 355, 634). He occurs with the title 'steward' in the time of Akarius (1200-10, P, p. 26 n., V2, f. 21), early in 1209 (20 Feb., *Select Pleas of the Forest*, ed. G. J. Turner, Selden Soc., 1901, p. 2), and without the title of steward in 1215 (no. 518). The man of the same name who appears in Oxfordshire charters about the same time (*Thame Cartulary*, ed. H. E. Salter, i. 95 and elsewhere) was apparently a layman.
5. SIMON OF ST. EDMUND, according to the list in Q, occurred between 1222 and 1226.
6. RICHARD OF SALT FLEETBY occurs 1222-6, 1226-8, and 1226-33 (Q and no. 537; no. 541; no. 540). According to Mellows, *Knights of Peterborough Barony* (Peterborough, 1926), pp. 3-4, he led the Peterborough knights in the Welsh campaign of 1223, as steward.
7. ROGER DE 'NEWELLE' (? Neville: cf. no. 541), according to the list, occurred under Abbot Martin (1226-33).
8. THOMAS OF UFFORD occurs 1246-9 (Q; no. 546) and some time in the middle of the century (F, pp. 31-32); he died not long after 1250 (see no. 529), but had already been superseded.
9. GEOFFREY RIDELL, who occurs as an addition to the list in Q, in the time of Abbot John (1250-63), is presumably an error for Geoffrey Russel (there was a Geoffrey Ridel in the early 14th century: P, p. 27 n.).
10. GEOFFREY RUSSEL, who is omitted from Q's list, occurs several times between 1250 and 1263, and led the abbot's contingent to Northampton in Apr. 1264 (nos. 526, 528, 548, and in no. 529 with Thomas of Ufford, who was dead well before 1263; P, p. 109 n., *Rotuli Selecti*, ed. J. Hunter (Record Comm., 1834), p. 186, cf. F. M. Powicke, *Henry III and the Lord Edward*, Oxford, 1947, ii. 459-60, for the date).

11. *RICHARD PECHE*, given in the list as steward to Abbot Richard of London (1274–95), is probably an intruder; but he may have superseded Robert of Sheffield for a short time. A Richard del Pech or Peck occurs as a tenant of the abbey in the late 12th century (P, pp. 129 n., 138, 139 n.).

12. *MASTER ROBERT OF SHEFFIELD* occurs first on 9 Apr. 1266, last on 28 July 1293 (F, p. 160; ChP, p. 150; also 1263–74, P, p. 44; 29 Aug. 1275, N, f. 235<sup>v</sup>; and frequently between 1288 and 1293, ChP, pp. 143–50, cf. no. 393a, Swa, f. ccxcvj<sup>v</sup>). The list in Q makes him steward to Abbot John de Caux (i.e. before 1263), which seems impossible.

13. *GILBERT OF SUTTON* occurs with the title 'chief (*capitalis*) bailiff' (possibly the same office) on 26 Apr. 1296, and as steward 6 Dec. 1296 (V2, ff. 12, 13<sup>v</sup>). Thus Q's list is correct in making him steward to William of Woodford (1295–9).

14. *JOHN OF OUNDLE*, under Abbot Godfrey (1299–1321), occurs in Q's list. He may be the same as

15. *JOHN OF RAMSEY*, who occurs on 18 May 1314 (V2, f. 110).

16. *SIR ROBERT OF THORPE* (under Abbot Godfrey, Q) occurs on 7 Apr. 1317 (V2, f. 117<sup>v</sup>); either he or (as seems more likely) another man of the same name was (re-) appointed in 1330 (P, p. 55 n.).

17. *WILLIAM OF ASHBY* (under Abbot Adam, 1321–38, Q) occurs on 6 Sept. 1322 (V1, f. 79).

18. *PETER FITZWARIN* occurs in 1328–9 (V1, f. 80<sup>v</sup>), and was succeeded by Robert of Thorpe in 1330 (see above, no. 16).



# APPENDIX III

## GLOSSARY OF FIELD-NAME ELEMENTS

The following are some of the elements which occur in the field and other minor names in this volume; the list is not meant to be comprehensive, but to explain elements given in Old or Middle English (OE, ME) or Old Norse (ON) in the Index —so that Index and Appendix between them provide a brief explanation of the meaning of a number of the field-names in the book.<sup>1</sup> The forms and interpretations are mainly based on *P.N. Elements* and *P.N. Northants* (see esp. pp. 260 ff.); and the forms used here and in the Index have been chosen to facilitate speedy reference to *P.N. Elements* and other standard works of reference. An asterisk indicates that the word is not recorded in OE or ON texts.

æppel-tūn OE, orchard.

bakke ME (cf. bæc OE), back, bank, ridge.  
bece, bæce OE, bache, beche ME, stream,  
valley (similar in form to bæce OE beech).

\*bēgel, \*biēgel OE, bend (?).

bekkr ON, beck, stream.

bēn OE, bōn ON, boon (i.e. boon-work, boon-services).

beorg OE, hill, mound.

bōc OE, beech-tree.

boga OE, bogi ON, bow, arch (i.e. curving piece of land shaped like a saddle, either a hill or given its shape by a curve in a stream).

\*bola OE, bolr ON, tree-trunk, log (but in form indistinguishable from \*bol, smooth hill; and cf. bolla, bowl).

brēc, brēc, &c., OE, brēche ME, breach, land broken up for cultivation.

brot ON, piece, fragment (cf. *P.N. Notts.*, p. 276).

būr OE, cottage (cf. (ge)būr, cottar, cottager).

burh, dat. sing. byrig OE, fortification, camp, castle, manor, town, &c. (thus Aldeborough in Irthlingborough is probably an old manor house, and Newbyry in Werrington a new manor house).

butte ME, butt, strip of land forming or abutting on a boundary between strips or fields.

\*ceare OE, turn, bend.

\*cocc OE, heap (cf. modern haystack).

crāke ME (krāka ON), crow, raven.

cran OE, crane, prob. also heron.

culfre OE, dove.

(ge)delf OE, pit, quarry.

\*dey ME, dairy.

dōle ME, dāl OE (cf. dæl, dell, dæl OE, dāl ON), share, portion (i.e. share of a common field).

dyng OE, dung, dung heap.

ears OE, buttock (i.e. land in shape of).

elri ON, alder-tree, alder wood.

eng ON, meadow, pasture.

flet ME, fljót ON, river, stream (flēot OE usually means estuary, &c.).

(ge)flit OE, strife, dispute (Flytlondis in Great Easton prob. means lands in dispute).

frith ME ((ge)fyrhð OE), wood (but cf. frið, freoðu OE, refuge).

gāra OE, geiri ON, gore, point of land, triangular plot (i.e. any small oddment of land in a field).

gata ON, road, street, path.

geat OE, hole, opening, gap.

geiri ON, see gāra.

hafri ON, \*hæfera OE, oats.

haga OE, hedge, enclosure, messuage.

haga OE, haw (hawthorn).

h(e)alh OE, nook, corner of land, water-meadow.

hamm, homm OE, enclosure, meadow, water-meadow (usually of low-lying pasture).

haugr ON, hill, mound (cf. hōh).

hay ME ((ge)hæg OE), enclosure.

hecg OE, hedge.

\*hegn, hegning ON, enclosure, enclosed land.

heorde-wic OE, herd, cattle farm.

\*herse OE, top, hill top.

hēvedland ME (hēafod-land OE), headland, land at head of strip or furlong (left for turning the plough).

hlāw OE, mound, hill.

hlēda OE, bench, ledge.

hlinc OE, ridge, bank.

hōh OE (difficult to distinguish from haugr), heel, spur of land (sometimes in bend of a river).

hol OE, ON, hollow.

holmr, holmi ON, small island, water-meadow, piece of flat, dry ground.

<sup>1</sup> The plan of this appendix and its shortcomings are my responsibility. But both the appendix and the explanations in the index have been checked and substantially corrected by Miss Joyce Bazire, whose generous help has been invaluable. C.N.L.B.

- horn OE, ON, horn, horn-shaped hill or headland.  
 hring OE, ring, circle.  
 hyrne OE, angle, corner of land (see no. 196 n.).  
 in-gang OE, way in, entry.  
 inland ME, plot of land near village or manor house intensively cultivated.  
 \*innam OE, \*innám ON, \*intak ON, piece of land taken in or enclosed.  
 kol ON, black.  
 lacu OE, stream.  
 (ge)lād OE, water-course, passage over river.  
 lām OE, loam, clay.  
 lang ME, long, long strip of land.  
 lēah (gen. lēas) OE, woodland, clearing, meadow.  
 līn OE, līn ON, flax.  
 lundr ON, small wood, grove (sacred grove).  
 (ge)māne OE, common (i.e. common land).  
 (ge)mānnes OE, community.  
 (ge)mære OE, boundary, balk.  
 marr ON, fen, marsh.  
 micel, mycel OE, mikill ON, big, great.  
 mōr OE, mōr ON, moor, marshland.  
 \*mylde OE, soil, earth.  
 nabbi, nabbr ON, projecting peak, knoll, hill.  
 ōfer OE, river-bank *or* \*ofer OE, slope of hill.  
 \*rȳd, \*rēod OE, clearing.  
 sadol OE, saddle (land shaped like saddle).  
 scīr OE, bright (of fields), clean, clear of weeds.  
 \*seax OE, stone, rock.  
 Seaxe OE, Saxons.  
 sic OE, sīk ON, small stream, dyke, or field by a stream.  
 skratti ON, goblin, monster.  
 slæd, sled OE, valley.  
 \*slōhtre OE, slough, mire  
 \*snæp OE, prob. boggy piece of land (*or* snap Icelandic, poor pasturage).  
 st(e)all OE, place.  
 stapol OE, staple, post, pillar.  
 sticol OE, steep.  
 stig OE, stigr ON, path, narrow road (cf. stigu, stig OE, sty, pen).  
 stocce OE, stokkr ON, tree-stump, log, stock.  
 storð ON, young wood, plantation, land growing with brushwood.  
 stræt, strēt OE, Roman road, paved road, street.  
 stubb OE, stub, tree stump (prob. in a clearing).  
 \*stybbing, \*stubbing OE, place with tree-stumps, clearing, assart.  
 swāthe ME (swæð, swaðu OE), strip of grassland (originally a track).  
 tūn OE, enclosure, settlement, village, &c. (common word for village; also used for village centre, as opposed to village fields, as *villa* is used in contrast to *campus* in this book).  
 þorp ON, thorp, outlying, dependent farmstead or hamlet.  
 þveit, þveiti ON, clearing, assart, meadow.  
 þyrs OE, giant, demon.  
 út-gang OE, út-ganga ON, way out, exit.  
 (ge)wæd OE, ford.  
 w(e)alh OE, foreigner, Briton, Welshman *or* serf.  
 wamb, womb OE, womb, belly, hence hollow.  
 wella, wiella, well, &c. OE, well, spring or stream.  
 wic OE, dwelling, farm.  
 wīg OE, idol, holy place.  
 \*winn, \*wynne OE, meadow, pasture.  
 wong ME (vangr ON) (cf. *P.N. Northants.*, pp. 270-1), garden, in-field (i.e. toft).  
 worm OE, dragon.  
 worð OE, enclosure (hence a small village).  
 wrang OE, (v)rangr ON, crooked, twisted.  
 wringe OE, cheese- (or cider-) press.  
 wrīðan OE, writhe, twist (cf. wrīd, wrīð, bush).  
 wrō ME ((v)rá ON), nook, corner of land.



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